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Old King Coal.

Old King Coal was a merry old soul;
"I'll move the world," quoth he;
"My country's high, and rich and great,
But greater she shall be."
And he called for the pick, and he called for the spade,
And he called for the miners bold;
"And it's dig," he said, "in the deep, deep earth.
You'll find my treasures better worth
Than mines of Indian gold."

Old King Coal was a merry old soul,
Yet not content was he;
And he said, "I've found what I desired,
Though 'tis but one of three."
And for water he called, and he called for fire,
For smiths and workmen true.
"Come, build me engines great and strong,
We'll have," quoth he, "a change ere long;
We'll try what steam can do."

Old King Coal was a merry old soul;
"Tis fairly done," quoth he,
When he saw the myriad wheels at work
O'er all the land and sea.
They spared the bones and strength of men,
They hammered, wove and spun;
There was naught too great, too mean or small;
The giant Steam had power for all—
His task was never done.

Old King Coal was a merry old soul;
Quoth he, "We travel slow.
I should like to roam the wide world round
As fast as the wild winds blow."
And he called for his skillful engineers,
And soon through hills and dales,
O'er rivers wide, through tunnels vast,
The flying trains like lightning passed,
On the ribs of the mighty rails.

Old King Coal was a merry old soul;
A merry old soul is he;
May he never fall in the land we love,
Who has made us great and free.
While his miners mine and his engines work,
Through all our happy land,
We shall flourish fair in the morning light,
And our name, and our fame, and our might, and our
right,
In front of the world shall stand.

Recording Steam Gauges.

A compilation made two years ago revealed the fact that from 1816 to 1871, fifty-six years, there had occurred eighty-nine steamboat boiler explosions on Western rivers, involving the loss of 8907 lives. Of this number 3100 lives had been destroyed during the last eighteen years of the above period. These statistics are startling, and reveal an increasing carelessness in the matter of human life. There has been no lack of scientific devices to remove the difficulties which have given rise to explosion; and in the invention of steam registering machinery, especially, the advances have been marked and the ingenuity displayed remarkable. Accurate and searching investigations have been instituted by experts to determine the causes which produce explosions, and much light has thereby been thrown upon the subject. Experimental tests have been made to ascertain the strength of various forms of boilers, and the manner in which they act under different circumstances. It is not our intention here to refer to the many causes which are supposed to give rise to such disasters, but simply to speak of the one prolific cause of accident, namely, that of allowing the pressure of steam to accumulate to an excessive degree, to which, in the end, must be referred by far the majority of explosions. To correct this evil is the function of the ordinary steam pressure gauge. The introduction of this device was undoubtedly an immense improvement, and a gauge must be regarded as an indispensable attachment to every engine. But it leaves too much to the discretion of the engineer. He may run his steam above the point allowed by the rule of the vessel or works in which the boiler is located, and thus incur a dangerous risk, while no one is the wiser. He may be careless also, leaving his engine and allowing the steam to accumulate to a dangerous extent, and upon his return restore the equilibrium of pressure without his negligence being discovered. It must be evident that by such treatment the strength of a boiler is impaired; every undue strain or overheating to some extent weakens the tenacity of the plates or tends to create rupture at the joints or rivets. An explosion occurred at Water Valley, Miss., under the following circumstances: The day previous to the explosion the safety valve was leaking. Instead of grinding down the valve the engineer placed a piece of gum packing under it. This blew out. A new piece was put under and then a brace was placed between the valve lever and the roof of the building, to hold it down, and retain the packing. Having thus taken as much risk as possible, he got up steam, running the pressure up to 105 lbs., "the last time he looked at the gauge." No one about the establishment knew anything about the pressure of steam at the time of explosion. A captain may indulge in racing, and carry, in so doing, a dangerous head of steam, but neither the proprietor nor passengers ascertain, generally, the pressure to which the boiler has been subjected during the trip, and the recklessness of the engineer passes unpunished.

Herein is found the necessity for recording

steam gauges. In such a device the pressure once indicated does not vanish on the change of pressure, but remains as a witness, in case of accident either exonerating or convicting the engineer. Men are less liable to indulge in carelessness when they cannot obliterate the record of their negligence, and when this record may in the future be brought up against them as evidence which may expose them to public indignation and punishment. By such a contrivance also the proprietors are able to judge of the capability and trustworthiness of their engineers, and are thus rendered responsible for the retention of incompetent men, and by this simple means perhaps a large proportion of disasters might be prevented. The importance

are, first, the parts devised for obtaining the necessary movement from the steam pressure, and the means adopted for converting it into the various motions required.

The pressure acts upon circular elastic chambers, composed of thin circular steel discs with or without corrugation, each pair formed into a chamber by means of a ring interposed between their outer edges, and having two compressing rings, the whole being secured firmly together by screws, so as to be steam and air tight. The handle of the inlet steam cock is passed into the bottom of the gauge case, and is so secured that it cannot be withdrawn until the door of the gauge is unlocked, thus preventing any tampering with the records, which

ordinary pressure gauges. An alarm is placed in the instrument and indicates the fact that the pressure has reached any particular degree. It is only necessary to add that the paper upon which the diagrams are traced is continuous, and rolled upon the delivery drum, whence it passes in front of the gauge to the receiving drum. The paper is ruled in horizontal lines, for convenience in reading the tracings of pressure. It is obvious that with this instrument, continuous pressure logs may be taken, which shall be unbroken throughout a long voyage.

The objects of the gauge may be summarized as follows: To furnish a check upon all those in charge of steam machinery, in-

drifts behind the shelter of patches of woodland, indicated the steady advance toward colder regions; and upon reaching the lake, a vast white expanse of ice covered the surface as far as the eye could reach. A strong, warm south wind prevailed last night and to-day, driving the ice out of sight into the lake. Another strong wind blowing this evening from the north will doubtless drive it all back; and thus it comes and goes, surging back and forth, until it becomes water-soaked and sinks out of sight. A soft, warm, gloomy day cheers the heart of the shipper, as it gives promise of the earlier opening of navigation and of lower freights. So far as I can learn from inquiry here, the 60,000 tons of pig iron on hand two months ago in the Shenando and Mahoning Valleys has become somewhat reduced, but there still remains perhaps 45,000 tons on hand. This stock, like that above named, is mostly of low grades, and was made from the inferior ores so largely distributed last year. The consequence has been to make the furnacemen anxious to secure none but good ores, and poor qualities have become a perfect drug at almost any price. The best ores have been largely sold, and are becoming comparatively scarce. Private European advices shown to me indicate the shipment to this country of only about one-third as much Scotch pig as we got last year."

Prof. Abel, the well known English chemist, gives the following as the melting points of alloys composed of tin and lead in the proportions set forth. These results were derived from repeated experiments of the most exact and critical nature, and are probably correct:

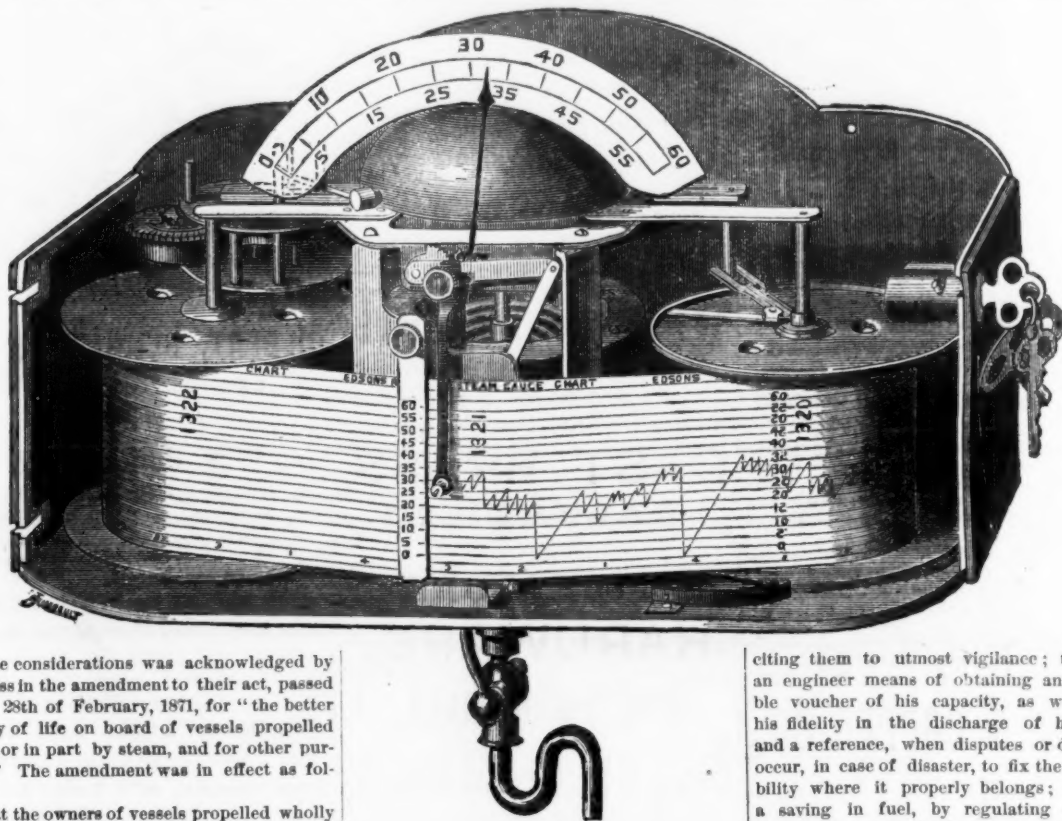
Constituents.		Melting point.	
Parts Tin.	Parts Lead.	Deg. Fah.	Deg. Fah.
100	0	310	310
90	10	344	344
80	20	348	348
70	30	352	352
60	40	356	356
50	50	360	360
40	60	370	370
30	70	380	380
20	80	390	390
10	90	412	412
0	100	430	430
10	90	460	460
20	80	488	488
30	70	494	494
40	60	502	502
50	50	512	512
60	40	520	520
70	30	530	530
80	20	540	540
90	10	550	550
100	0	558	558
		Melting point of lead—620	

There is building at the Delamater Iron Works, in this city, a system of hoisting machines for the Calumet & Hecla Copper Mines of Lake Superior, which are designed to hoist from four shafts at a time, and from the enormous dept of 2880 ft., or more than a half a mile. There are four drums, each capable of taking on 2880 ft. of 1 1/4 in. wire rope, without winding the turns over each other, and each drum will be able to raise 10,000 lbs. at the rate of 350 ft. per minute. All four of the machines are driven by a pair of horizontal "Rider Engines" of 300 H. P. Steam will be furnished from six boilers, of 54 ft. diameter and 27 ft. long. This machinery is to be ready for shipment on the opening of lake navigation in the spring. A fire-proof building will cover the whole plant when erected at the mines. The work is from the designs and superintendence of George H. Reynolds. These works have constructed and are constructing a large number of similar machines, but of less power, for the iron mines in various parts of the country.

The Berlin *Industrie Blatter* says: In order to separate iron and brass filings it has been customary to draw a magnet by hand through the mass, thus taking out the iron and steel while leaving the brass. Recently a very suitable machine appeared for saving this tedious hand labor, invented by a French engineer named Bavin, in the machine works of Call & Co., Paris. Now, however, Mr. Webb, employed in the splendid works of the London and Northwestern Railway, at Crewe, has reached the desired end by a very simple and economical process of smelting. The mixed iron and brass turnings and brass slag are mixed with limestone, coal dust, and oxide of iron or iron scales, and smelted; the brass settles through the fluid slag to the bottom and is run off into ingot molds.

It is a recent French discovery, that adding a minute quantity of gelatine to a solution of sulphate of copper, prevents the brittleness which copper is said to have that has been deposited by the action of the galvanic battery. The softness and malleability of copper deposited from a solution of a copper salt by electrolysis is increased by increasing the conductivity of the solution. Thus acid added to the bath until it has reached the point when the hydrogen gas is about to be given off, will hasten the decomposition, and the copper obtained will be soft and pliable. But what gelatine does to produce an effect, or rather why, we do not understand.

It has been proposed in the Nebraska Legislature to offer a reward of \$50,000 to the finder of a four foot vein of coal in that State.

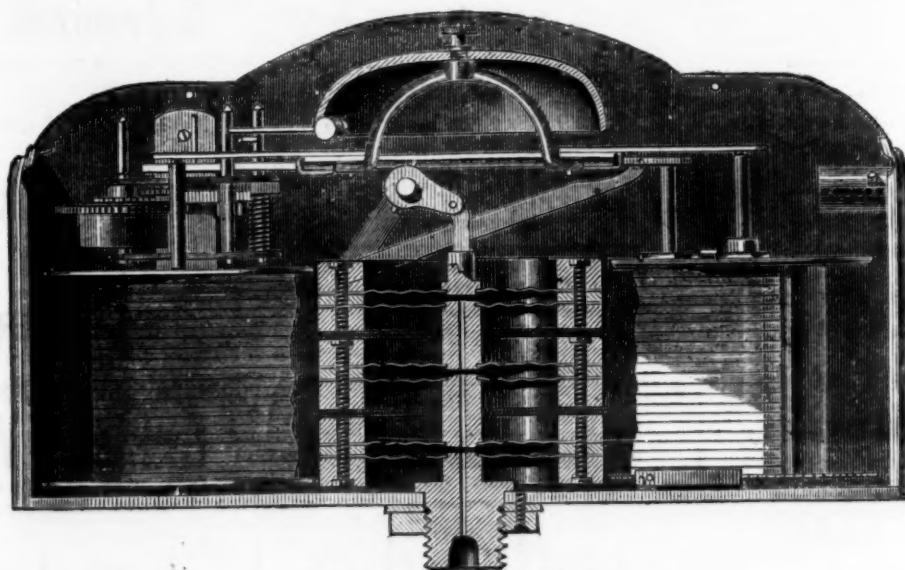


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would affect their credibility in case of reference thereto in event of disaster before a coroner's or other jury.

The movement communicated by the steam pressure is transferred, by a suitable mechanism, to the pencil carrier represented in the upper engraving, which records the pressure upon

citing them to utmost vigilance; to furnish an engineer means of obtaining an indubitable voucher of his capacity, as well as of his fidelity in the discharge of his duties, and a reference, when disputes or differences occur, in case of disaster, to fix the responsibility where it properly belongs; to effect a saving in fuel, by regulating the pressure, and to diminish injurious strain on boiler, and wear and tear of machinery; to secure any desired degree of heat, by maintaining the relative proportion of steam pressure necessary in factories, drying establishments, etc., where the proper regulation of the temperature is indispensable; to afford reliable and tangible data for scientific and other investigations, for which purposes, these "Charts"



LONGITUDINAL SECTION OF RECORDING GAUGE.

and they may affix to every such steam-recording apparatus their special locks or seals whenever they deem it necessary to do so, in order to secure a faithful and true record of the pressure sustained within the boilers.

The committee of the U. S. Board of Supervising Inspectors, on gauges, etc., reported that the Edison Recording Steam Gauge, of which we here publish engravings, answered the requirements of the law.

The first of the two engravings which we here present represents the Edison recording steam gauge with door removed, to show internal arrangement. The second is a longitudinal section of the same, showing the details of the apparatus.

The gauge consists of three chief parts, the index, showing the pressure on a graduated arc, the continuous pressure recorder, and the alarm for indicating excess of pressure. The mechanism by which these results are obtained,

the traveling slip of graduated paper as indicated. So long as the pressure remains constant the pencil remains in one place, thus making only a point upon the paper. When the pressure changes, an ingenious mechanism carries the paper along from left to right, and the pencil ascends or descends sufficiently to indicate the required pressure, thus making a diagonal line. The paper consequently exhibits a jagged line which furnishes a true record of pressure. If, however, it is desired to keep, in connection with the record of pressure, a record of the time at which the various changes occurred, a form of instrument is used in which the paper is actuated at a uniform rate of motion, and is also mechanically perforated at short intervals so as to indicate the exact periods during which variation of pressure takes place. The instrument is also provided with an index finger, by which the pressure at any moment may be easily read, as in

or "Steam Logs" should always be dated and filed away, on removal, for future reference to reduce insurance risks to a minimum, &c.

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Stocks of Iron in the West.—A correspondent of the *Pittsburgh Commercial*, writing from Cleveland, Ohio, says: "From a recent flying trip to the Steubenville and Wheeling furnaces, I learn that there are between 6000 and 7000 tons of pig iron on hand, which is almost exclusively of inferior grades and comparatively unsaleable. There are no unsold stocks of the best irons, and large orders for them have been booked for future delivery. Coming north to this place, the increase of ice upon the ponds and marshes, and of snow

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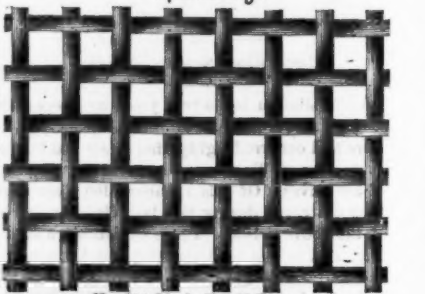
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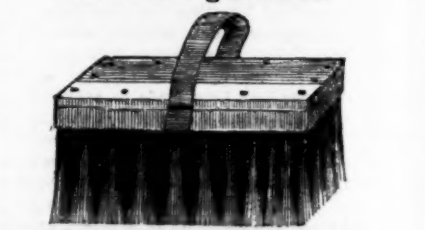
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New Patents.

We take from the records of the patent office
at Washington the following specifications of
certain patents lately issued, which will be found
interesting:

IMPROVEMENT IN PROCESSES FOR CONVERTING CAST IRON ARTICLES INTO STEEL.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent
No. 135,646, dated February 11, 1873, issued to
Richard A. Jackson, of Pittsburgh.

The nature of this invention consists in con-
verting cast iron articles into steel by embed-
ding them, within a furnace, in a compound
consisting of charcoal, tan-bark, oxide of iron,
and unburned limestone, in about the propor-
tions hereinafter specified, the said ingredients
being pulverized and mixed together so as to
form a homogeneous mass, and then subjecting
them, while embedded in the said compound,
to a process of cementation.

Take about thirty-three (33) parts of wood-
charcoal; about thirty-three (33) parts of tan-
bark, (by preference the refuse—that is to say,
tan-bark which has been used for tanning
leather); about eighteen (18) parts of oxide of
iron; and about sixteen (16) parts of unburned
limestone. These several ingredients are pul-
verized and then thoroughly mixed together so
as to form a homogeneous mass of mixed par-
ticles, with which form a bed about three inches
in depth on the bottom of an ordinary convert-
ing furnace. On this bed are laid the cast iron
articles which are to be converted into steel.
These articles are then covered with the com-
pound herebefore described, forming a layer
about two inches in depth, and upon this layer
is placed another layer of cast iron articles,
which are also covered with the compound, and
thus layer after layer of the compound and
cast iron articles are placed in the furnace until
it is filled. The mouth of the furnace is then
sealed up, and the furnace is heated as in the
ordinary process of cementation. The heat of
the furnace is kept up from one to five days,
according to the thickness of the cast iron ar-
ticles to be converted into steel, the thick ar-
ticles requiring more time than thin ones. After
the articles in the furnace have been subjected
to heat for a sufficient length of time, the fur-
nace is allowed to gradually cool down. The
charge is then drawn out and the converted ar-
ticles separated from the mass with which they
were covered. They are then cleaned and
dressed, and may be tempered, hammered,
drawn out, and welded in the same manner as
is practiced in working cast steel. Hard white
"pig metal," sometimes called "pot metal,"
making the castings which are to be converted
into steel by the compound and process de-
scribed.

Claim.—The union of tan-bark and unburned
limestone in compositions of the nature herein
described, for the purpose set forth.

IMPROVEMENT IN THE MANUFACTURE OF STEEL.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent
No. 135,768, dated February 11, 1873, issued to
Thomas Brooks, of Canton, Ohio:

This invention consists in the employment
of a new chemical compound in the manufac-
ture of steel by the smelting process, the ob-
ject of my invention being to produce a grade
of high tool steel which shall weld without the
aid of fluxes, or other welding compounds.
Tungsten, spiegel-eisen, charcoal and black
oxide of manganese are used, in substantially
the proportions and manner hereinafter stated.

Swedish bar iron is preferable, as being of
very uniform quality and free from impurities;
and to every seventy-four pounds of iron, four-
teen ounces of tungsten, fourteen ounces of
spiegel-eisen, eight ounces of charcoal and half
an ounce of manganese are added. The ma-
terials are placed in a smelting furnace, and
subjected to substantially the treatment usually
employed in the production of steel by that
method. Steel made in the manner, and by the
ingredients above set forth, will be tough and
malleable; will weld firmly without the use of
fluxes; and will take clean, sharp edges for
tools; and will also work into springs of great
elasticity and durability.

Claim.—The herein described compound of
tungsten, manganese and charcoal, when used
substantially in the proportions and manner set
forth, for the conversion of wrought or bar iron
into steel.

IMPROVEMENT IN BLAST FURNACES.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent
No. 133,718, dated December 10, 1872; ante-
dated December 7, 1872, issued to Juan Patti-
son, of New York:

Figure 1 is a vertical section of a blast fur-
nace embodying my invention; Fig. 2, a half
plan of top and half section through line, A, B,
of Fig. 1; Fig. 3, a partial section through
line, C, D, of Fig. 1; Fig. 4, a partial section
through line, E, F, of Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference in the accompa-
nying drawing denote the same parts.

The object of this invention is, first, to im-
prove the construction of blast furnace for
smelting ores, so as to prevent the cracking of
the walls from unequal expansion and con-
traction, and thereby to confine the blast so
that it shall fully perform its function; second-
ly, to improve the means for charging the fur-
nace; thirdly, to improve the arrangement of
the tuyeres so as to reduce the area in a more
perfect manner than heretofore. It consists,
first, in strengthening the walls of the furnace
by means of a system of horizontal arches, ver-
tical iron posts and circumferential bands com-
bined together, as hereinafter described; sec-
ondly, in constructing the tramway, the cars and
the gates and conducting chutes so as to operate
in connection with each other, as hereinafter
specified; thirdly, in arranging a series of
tuyeres at or near the lower end of the cru-
cible, another at or near the top of the cru-
cible, and a third at or near the top of the
boches, as and for the purpose hereinafter set
forth; fourthly, in the arrangement of a set of
ovens around or in the upper part of the fur-

nace, in connection with the other parts of
the furnace, as hereinafter described; and
lastly, in the details of construction, as hereinafter
described.

In the drawing, I is the crucible, where the
molten metal collects; H, the boches; G, the
cone; N, the top of the charge; and f, the
shirt-lining or fire-wall of the furnace. A' A'
are three or more stout iron pillars, constructed
in sections, suitably bolted together, and em-
bedded in the masonry of the walls, extending
from the bottom to the top of the furnace.
Outside of the shirt f, above the line C D, is a
vertical wall, c', composed of blocks of fire-
clay or other suitable material, arranged in

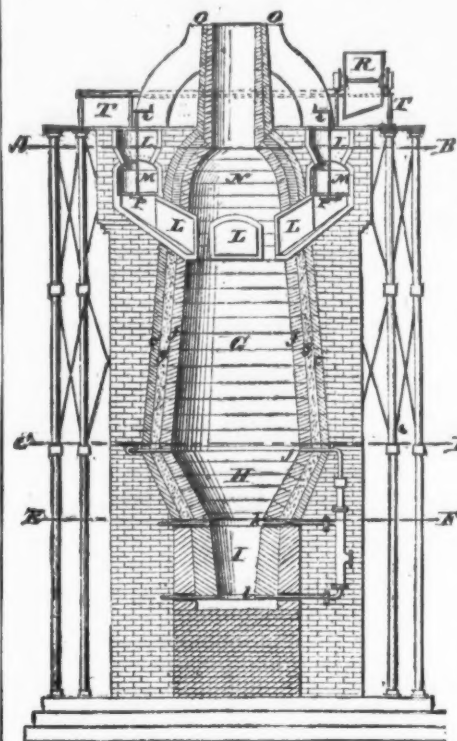


Fig. 1.—IMPROVED BLAST FURNACE.

such a manner that a cross-section at any ele-
vation will show three or more horizontal
arches, the key-stones of which support the
fire-wall, while the ends abut against the iron
pillars A', as represented in Figs. 2, 3 and 4.
Small supplementary walls c' of a similar form
may be arranged inside the walls c', as
shown in Fig. 3, forming arches, whose
ends abut against the walls c', while their
key-stones support the shirt or fire wall.
Iron bands i i are placed around the struc-
ture, above the line C D, to support the posts
A', and assist them and the arches in resist-
ing the expansion of the furnace walls, diagonal
iron rods serving for a similar purpose below
the crucible. Between the arched walls c' c' and
the bands i i the spaces are filled up compactly
with brick, stone, or fire clay; or the whole
furnace may be covered with iron, and the
spaces may be filled with any suitable non-con-
ducting material. Between the walls c' c' and
the shirt f the spaces are filled, as shown at g,
with sand or any other available non-conductor
or poor conductor of heat, to serve as a cush-
ion for the fire-wall. As the latter expands

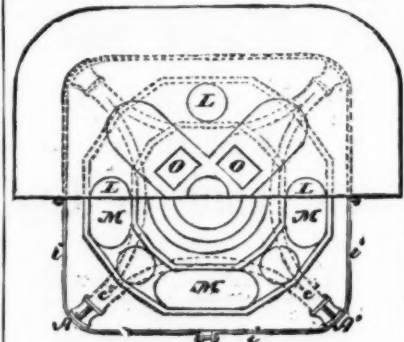


Fig. 2.

under the great heat to which it is subjected it
presses the sand cushion g against the arches c'
c', which transmit the force to the pillars A',
where it is taken up by the bands i, and the
walls of the furnace are thereby prevented
from cracking. The boches H are constructed
of two courses of fire brick, with a sand
cushion between them, supported in a basin,
made of thick rolled iron, cut into suitable
plates and riveted together, the whole form-
ing an inverted segment of a hollow cone.

To the extremities of the basin, on the outer
side are attached strong flanges, and to these
is riveted an annular chamber or pipe, con-
nected with the jets j k l to facilitate the re-
newing of said jets without the necessity of in-
terrupting the operation of the furnace. The
walls of the furnace below the line C D may be
filled out, or they may be constructed with only
the corner abutments, as shown in Fig. 4, the
spaces between such abutments not being filled
out. M M are ovens, arranged in passages L
leading from the top of the furnace to the in-
terior of the cone at or near the upper end of
the charge. These ovens are provided with
flues O, and also with grates P, which can be
tipped by means of rods r extending to the top
of the furnace, or to any other convenient point.
The flux, &c., is brought to the furnace by
means of cars B running upon the tram-way T,
and discharging their loads into the passages L
either automatically or otherwise. A good
method of construction is to incline the tram-
way just sufficiently to enable the cars to run
by their own gravity, or else to attach them to
cables, by which they can be moved around the
furnace, the cars being mounted on a single
pair of wheels and provided with small guide-
tracks to assist in following the curves of the
track. The cars are also to be constructed with

inclined hinged bottoms, locked or latched at
their lower edge in such a manner that when
over the passages L they will unlatch and dump
the load through the passages into the ovens
M. When in the ovens the materials are par-
tially or completely calcined and prepared for
admission to the furnace, the volatile matters
—such as carbonic acid, sulphur, water, &c.—
being driven off in the form of gases or vapors
and escaping through the flues O. When the
furnace requires a fresh supply the grates P are
tipped by the rod r, and the calcined or calcin-
ing materials allowed to fall through in quan-
tities suitable for the purpose, after which the
grates are closed again and a new supply fur-
nished to the ovens from the cars R.

In ordinary furnaces the load begins
to lose its moisture and volatile gases at
an elevation a little below the line
of the flues L of my improved furnace.
Beneath that point the load absorbs caloric,
and calcination begins and con-
tinues to the boches, where the ore be-
gins to be converted from sesquioxide
to metallic iron. The metallic iron
fuses and drops into the crucible by its
own gravity, and from the crucible it
is allowed to flow, at the proper time,
into sand, to cool into pigs. The con-
version is effected ordinarily by forcing
hot or cold blasts through jets at the
bottom of the crucible at a pressure
ranging between eight and twelve
pounds to the square inch.

A furnace of the construction de-
scribed, however, the materials to be
reduced—such as ore, flux, etc.—are
prepared in the ovens M, as above de-
scribed, the calcination being advanced,
if not completed, before they are ad-
mitted into the furnace, by which means
a large portion of the caloric is utilized
and made available in the furnace
that would otherwise be allowed to es-
cape, or be used only for heating blasts
or raising steam for power purposes.
The elements thus prepared enter the
furnace already at an advanced stage of
the process, and, by the introduction of
a blast of hot or cold air through the
upper jets, j, at a moderate pressure,
the fusion of the iron, &c., is accelerated,
and that which is accomplished at the bottom
of the boches in ordinary furnaces takes place
before the load reaches the boches in my im-
proved furnace. As the fusing load descends
into the boches it is supplied with additional
blasts from the jets, k, and metallic iron is pro-
duced and collected in the crucible, the scoria,

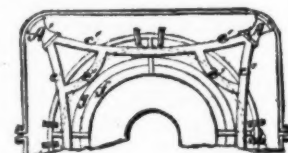


Fig. 3.

slag, and earthy bases being kept floating on
the top by the third series of jets, l, at the
bottom, which forces air through the mass of
molten metal. To more thoroughly cleanse
the metal in the crucible a powerful current
of air is introduced at or near the bottom of the
crucible, suspending the introduction of air
through the upper jets, j, k, during this part
of the operation by means of the appliances pro-
vided for the purpose. The introduction of an
adequate quantity of air in this manner at a
high pressure produces an intense heat by the
combination of the oxygen of the air with the
carbon contained in the iron. The rapid union
of these elements adds to the temperature of
the metal, and as the carbon diminishes the
oxygen is enabled to combine with the iron,
solving and driving off the elements that ad-
here thereto, such as sulphuric acid, &c.
While the powerful currents of air cause a
violent ebullition in the crucible and the heat
drives off the impurities from the iron these
mingle with the slag, silica, and other float-
ing matters remaining on the surface of the metal,
and leaving it in a condition to be drawn off,
comparatively pure, into metallic molds properly
lined, to set ready for the squeezers and rolls.

Claim 1. In a furnace, the combination of the
supporting-arches c' with the corner-posts A
and the bands i, or an iron covering.

2. The supplementary arches c' arranged in
connection with the arches c'.

3. The arrangement of the tramway and
dumping cars, in combination with the pas-
sages L and ovens M.

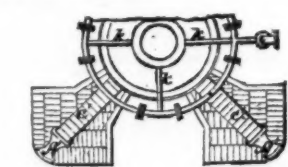


Fig. 4.

4. The furnace having the cone, the boches,
the crucible, the ovens, and the three sets of
tuyeres, all constructed and arranged relatively
to each other, substantially as described and
shown, for the purpose specified.

An alloy of 90 per cent. tin, 8 per cent. anti-
mony and 2 per cent. copper has been found
excellent for crank and connecting-rod bearings
on the Moscow & Nishni Railroad. On the
Kursk-Charow-Asoy Railroad an alloy of 75-5
per cent. tin, 11-5 antimony and 10 copper is
considered very superior for pivots of all kinds,
slide valves, eccentrics, stuffing boxes, &c.
The Swiss Nordostbahn Company, in ordering
locomotives recently, required the following
preparation as a composition for axle journals:
10 parts of antimony added to 10 parts of melt-
ed copper, with 80 parts of tin added, and the
alloy run into bars, to be remelted for use.

Iron and Wooden Ships.

A writer in the *Times* says: A few months
ago an appropriation was made by Congress for
the construction of eight sloops of war. At the
time but few persons were aware of the condi-
tion of the United States navy, nor is it gener-
ally understood now how needful it was that
the attention of Congress should be given to
the subject of providing for the construction of
vessels to supply the place of others which,
from rotteness, have fallen to pieces. A re-
porter of the *Times*, yesterday, made an inspec-
tion of the condemned naval steamers *Guerriere*
and *Albany*—now being broken up at the dock
foot of East Eighteenth street—with a view to
discover the condition of vessels that ranked
second rate in the naval register of last year,
and had recently carried a large living human
freight upon the high seas. The *Guerriere* is a
vessel of 4000 tons displacement with a length
of spur deck of 330 feet, of 46 feet breadth of
beam, 28 feet 10 inches depth of hold, and a ton-
nage of 2490 tons. She was constructed in the
Brooklyn navy yard as late as 1866, under the
supervision of Mr. Delano, the work being first
class, and was supplied with a pair of Mr.
Isherwood's engines costing \$400,000. Her en-
tire construction and general outfit cost the
government about a million and a quarter of
dollars—perhaps a little over. She never made
more than two cruises beside her trial trip, and
on the last cruise she was the flagship of the
Mediterranean fleet, when she carried 21
guns. After this short service she was sold at
public auction on the 12th of last December for
\$54,000, having been found too rotten to admit
of repair. On the same day the *Albany* was
sold for \$48,000, after being constructed at
about an equal expense. A casual glance at the
surface would lead one to believe that the wood
in the sides of those two vessels was in a toler-
ably good state of preservation. It is covered
by a coating of paint about an eighth of an inch
in thickness, which, being removed, the whole
ribs and body of the ship—planks six inches
thick—can be reduced with the hand of a child
to a powder as fine as snuff, the wood is so
thoroughly decomposed. The purchaser of
these vessels has a large number of men en-
gaged in breaking up and removing the ma-
chinery, after which they will be towed to Long
Island flats and burned to get at the remaining
bolts and bars. While this is the condition of
those vessels, there are said to be many others
now in actual service and ranking as they did
lately, which, though looking fairly, are in an
advanced stage of decay. In view of this cir-
cumstance, one would naturally inquire of
what material should the government construct
vessels in order to avoid the loss resulting from
such a rapid decay. Another circumstance, of
no little interest in itself, connected with the
working of the naval department may serve for
an answer. Of 32 double-enders built during
the war nearly all the wooden ones have since
rotted, and have been sold at a mere trifle to
be broken up for the metal they contained, while
two, which were iron, were purchased by New
York merchants not long since at a considera-
ble figure, and are now valuable vessels run-
ning from this city to a Southern port.

The Atlantic Mail Steamship Company have
had a somewhat similar experience, going to
show the advantage of iron over timber vessels.
That company, at a sale of three of its ships a
few days ago, received an offer of \$150,000 for
the iron ship *Crescent City*, built in 1860; while
their vessels *Columbia* and *Morro Castle*, both
of timber, built respectively in 1857 and 1856,
brought only \$68,000 together.

All the steam-ships at present crossing be-
tween this port and Great Britain are iron, and
the greater part of the American carrying-trade
is done by the iron vessels of other countries.
A variety of causes contributed to drive that
trade away from this country. Another inter-
esting fact in this connection appears from the
report of Mr. Joseph Nimmo, Jr., of the Bureau
of Tonnage, to the Secretary of the Treasury,
estimating that only 13 per cent. of the ships
and steam machinery required for war purposes
during the rebellion was furnished by all the
navy-yards of the United States, private enter-
prise furnishing the remaining 88 per cent. As
it is generally conceded that the rebellion
received a fatal blow by the blockade of
Southern ports, the importance of this private
enterprise can readily be appreciated, and an
estimate formed of the difficulties that would
have compassed the United States if such aid
was not forthcoming. If all the ships then
built were of iron, instead of having been
broken up, they might have been converted af-
ter the war to the increase and improvement of
the merchant service. When wooden ships
begin once to need repairs a small flaw often
requires extensive labor and material to remove
it. All the decaying timber must be taken out to
make a place for solid jointing and bolting, and
the expense is frequently excessive as com-
pared with the vessel's value. Iron ships are
in no such position. If a plate is injured it can
readily be replaced. Beside, ship builders say
that there is less time and capital required in
the construction of iron ships. For the con-
struction of wooden vessels, the timber should
be cut first in large quantities and left for years
to season, the capital, meanwhile, lying idle,
while the iron needed in an iron ship's construc-
tion need not be out of the mine when the keel
is laid.

Iron vessels for the transport of spirits are
found to be free from many of the defects of
wooden ones, especially such as cause loss.
They are made of sheets less than one-tenth of
an inch thick, of cylindrical form, about 47
inches long and 32 inches in diameter, with
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Upon which triplicity, the Author might enlarge himself, but shall not be tedious, only give me leave to mention that there be three sorts of Cast Iron;

1. The first sort is Gray Iron.
2. The second sort is called Motley Iron, of which one part of the Sows or Piggs is gray, the other part is white intermixt.

3. The third sort is called white Iron, this is almost as white as Bell-Mettle, but in the Furnace is least fined, and the most Terres-trial; of the three, the Motley Iron is somewhat more fined, but the Gray Iron, is most fined, and more sufficient to make Bar Iron with, and tough Iron to make Ordnance, or any Cast Vessels, being it is more fined in the Furnace, and more malleable and tough, then the other two sorts before mentioned; and of this sort, is the Iron made with Pit-cole, Sea-cole for the most part, and therefore more sufficiently to be preferred.

2. More cheaper Iron there cannot be made, for the Author did sell pig or cast Iron made with Pit-cole at four pounds per Tun, many Tuns in the twentieth year of King James, with good profit; of late, Charcole Pig Iron hath been sold at six pounds per Tun, vea at seven pounds per Tun hath much been sold.

Also the Author did sell Bar-Iron Good and Merchantable, at twelve pounds per Tun, and under, but since Bar-Iron hath been sold for the most part ever since at 15l. 16l. 17l. and 18l. per Tun, by Charcole Iron-Masters.

3. More Excellent for diverse Reasons, and principally, being the means whereby the Wood and Timber of this Island almost exhausted, may be timely preserved yet, and vegetate and grow again unto his former wonted cheapness, for the maintenance of Navigation, which is the greatest Strength of Great Britain, whose Defence and Offence for all the Territories that belong unto it, next under God and his Vice-Gerent, our Sacred Majesties Cares, consists most of Shipping, Men of War, Experienced Mariners, Ordnances, Ammunition, and Stores, the Ordnance made therewith will be more gray and tough, therefore more serviceable at Sea and Land, and the Bar-Iron will wall, rivet, and hold better then most commonly Charcole Iron.

2. More Excellent, not onely in respect the Invention of making of Iron with Pit cole and Sea-cole will preserve Wood and Timber of Great Britain so greatly consumed by Iron-Works of late.

But also in respect, this my Invention will preserve many Millions of Tuns of Small-cole in Great Britain, which will be lost in time to come, as formerly they were, for within ten miles of Dudley Castle, is annually consumed four or five thousand Tuns at least of small Pit-cole, and have been so consumed time out of mind under ground, fit to have it made Pit-Iron with; which coles are and (unless Iron be made therewith) will be forever totally and annually lost; if four or five thousand Tun of Cole be consumed within ten miles compass, what Coles is thus consumed in all England, Scotland, and Wales! which is no good Husbandry for Great Britain, hinc ille lacrimæ, that our Timber is exhausted.

Must I be still opposed, and never enjoy my Inventions, nor Great Britain the Benefit?

Must my Patent be obstructed in Peace, as it was extingished by the Wars?

And must not my Patent be Revived for the making of Iron with Pit-cole, Sea-cole, Peat, and Turf, but find Enemies still to oppose it? How many thousand Tuns of Iron might have been made but since my first Invention, An. Jacob. 18th by my means with Pit-cole, and Sea cole (lost) if I had not had Enemies; and had not wood and timber been preserved?

But most men will aver, that it doth concern the Author to demonstrate the great loose mentioned formerly of Pit-cole annually;

It is thus,

There is at least within ten miles of the Castle of Dudley, twelve or fourteen Cole-Works, some in Worcester, and some of them in Staffordshire (now in work, and twice as many in that Chireute not in work) each of which Works get three thousand Tun of Cole yearly, some get three, four or five thousand Tun of Coles yearly; and the uppermost or top measures of Coles are ten, eleven, and some twelve yards thick; the Coles ascending, Bassetting, or as the Colliers term it, Cropping up even unto the superficies of the Earth, and there the Colliers formerly got the Coles; but where the Coles is deep and but little Earth upon the measures of Coles, there the Colliers rid off the Earth, and dig the Coles under their feet; these Works are called Foot-rids.

But of these Works there are now but few, some of these small Coles in these open Works the poor people did carry away, but paid nothing for them in former times, termed the Brain Carriages.

But now the Colliers working more in the deep of these Works, they are constrained to sink Pits some of which Pits are from eight unto twenty yards deep, and some are near twenty fathome deep, which fathome contains two yards.

In these Pits, after you have made or hit the uppermost measures of Cole, and sink or digged thorow them, the Colliers getting the nethermost part of the Coles first, about two yards in height or more, and when they have wrought the Crutes or Staules, (as some Colliers call them) as broad and as far in under the ground, as they think fit, they throw the small Coles (fit to make Iron) out of their way on heaps to raise them up so high, to stand upon, that they may, with the working of their Picks or Maundrills over their heads, and at the one end of the Coles so far in as their Tool will permit, and so high as their working cometh unto a parting in the measure of Cole, the which Coles, to the parting by his self-clogging and ponderous weight, fall often many Tuns of coles, many yards high down at once; with which fall and the Colliers breaking of the said Cole, many small coles do so abound of no use, and fit for no sale; that in getting of twenty thousand Tun of Pit-cole, one half near is small cole, not drawn out of the Pits, but destroyed, left, and lost; which small cole, with the sleek thrown moyst together, (heat the sooner)

and by means of its sulphurousness fire in the Pits, to no small prejudice unto the Owners of the Works, and the Workmen, besides Great Britains loss; which Cole might have made many thousand Tuns of Iron, and Timber; I might here give you the names, and partly the nature of every measure, or parting of each cole lying upon each other; the three uppermost measures are called the white measures for his white Arcenical, Salsuginos and Sulphurous substance which is in that Cole; the next measure, is the shoulder-cole, the toe-cole, the foot-cole, the yard-cole, the slipper-cole, the sawyer-cole, and the frisky-cole, these last three coles are the best for the making of Iron, yet other coles may be made use of.

I might give you other names of coles, but desire not prolixity, yet must I tell you of a superannary number of Smiths within ten miles of these Cole Works near twenty thousand; yet God of his Infinite goodness (if we will but take notice of his goodness unto this Nation) hath made this Country a very Granary for the supplying these Men with Iron, Cole, and Lime made with cole, which hath much supplied these men with Corn also of late, and from these men, a great part not only of this Island, but also of his Majesties other Kingdomes and Territories with Iron wares have their supply, and wood in these parts almost exhausted, although it were of late a mighty wood-land Country.

Now if the Coles and Iron-stone so abound were made right use of, we need not want Iron as we do; for very many measures of Iron-stone are placed together under the great thickness of cole, and upon another thickness of coles two yards thick, not yet mentioned, called the bottom-cole, the heathon cole, as if God had decreed the time when, and how these Smiths should be supplied, and this Island also with Iron, and most especially, that this cole and Iron-stone, should give the first, and just occasion for the Invention of the making of Iron with pit-cole, no place being so fit for the Invention to be perfected in, then this Country, for the general good; whose Woods did formerly abound in Forests, Chases, Parks and Woods, but exhausted in these parts.

Now for the names of the Iron-stone, the first measure is called the Black-row-graines, lying in very hard and black Earth.

The second measure is the Dun-row-graines, lying in dun earth or clay.

The third measure is called the white row grains, lying in very white Earth or Clay; under these three measure are sundry other measures, and are called, first, the Rider Stone; secondly, the Cloud Stone; thirdly, the bottom Stone; fourthly, the Cannock or whist stone, which last may well be so called (although all the other measures be very good) yet this Stone is so Sulphurous and Terrestrial, not fit to make Iron; because the Iron thereof made is very Redshare, which is that if a workman should Draw or Forge out a Share mould fit for a Plough in that red heat, it would crack and not be fit for the Use of the Husbandmans Plough or Share.

I may take occasion here to speak of the Nature of Coldshare Iron, which is so brittle if made of the grain Ore but Iron stone would be almost as brittle as some Regulus Antimonii made Iron, for with one small blow over an Anvil you may break the biggest Bar that is, if it be perfect coldshare Iron; nay the Ploughman often breaks his Share point off if it be made of coldshare Iron. But perfect tough malleable Iron will not break feisibly in hot-heat or cold, as coldshare will, or red hot as Sulphurous venerated redshare Iron will; but yet tough enough when it is cold: All which aforesaid qualities of Iron the Author very well knoweth how to mend their Natures, by finning or setting the finery, lesse transhaw more borrow which are terms of art, and by altering and pitching the works, and plates, the fore spirit-plat, the tuiron, bottome, back and breast or fore-plate, by the altering of which much may be done, if the work be set transhaw and transiring from the blast, the Iron is more coldshare lesse fined, more to the Marts profit; lesse profitable to him that makes it in to manufacture, and lesse profitable to him that useth it; but the Iron made in a Burrow work, becometh more tough and serviceable; yet the nature of all Iron stone, is to be considered, both in the Furnace, and in the finery, that the Sulphurous Arceniall and Veneriating qualities, which are oftentimes in Ironstone be made to separate, in both the works from the fixed and fixing bodies of Iron, whose fiery quality is such, that he will sooner self calfine than separate from any Sulphurous venerated quality.

No man, I hope, need to be offended at any terms of Art, it hath been always lawful for Authors of new Arts and Inventions, at their own pleasures, to give name to their new Inventions and Arts, every Tradesman is allowed it in his mystery.

But the Author hath as much as he could avoided the terms of Art that Simon Sturtenant and others have used, which are very many; onely the Author hath given you the common names and terms (for the most part) which are so common among Forge-men and Founders, as is nothing more common; but kept secret amongst them and a mystery not yet known, but unto very few Owners of Iron-works; nay I have not yet troubled your memory with any of the Founder terms, of but making his harth as the Timpe stones, the Wind-wall stones, the Furion stones, the Botton-stone, the Back-stones and the Boches, in the making and pitching of which harth, is much of the Mystery.

I must confesse, there is given unto some Physlosophers, esse Illi Artis, some few terms how the Sulphurous Arceniall, Bituminos, Antimoniall, Veneriall, and other poisonous qualities, either in the Pit-cole, Sea-cole, or the Iron-stone, may be in part at the Furnace separated, and not be permitted to incorporate in the Iron, and if it be incorporated, yet by finning at the Forge, to fetch it out; also to melt, extract, refine, and reduce all mines mettals and minerals, unto their species with Pit-cole, Sea-cole, Peat, and Turf, by wayes not yet in use, which the Author will make known, hereafter, if God permit him health, time and space, or leave his knowledge unto his Brother Aylmore Folliott, Esq; his Nephew Parks house, Esq; and to his Kinsman Master Francis Dingley, to declare to the latter Age of the World, which God is pleased to manifest many of his Secrets; Qui vult secreta scire, secreta scire sciat custodire.

Having suffered much, ever since the year 1618, unto this present for the general good, as by the preceding discourse appears for the making of Iron with Pitcole, Seacole, Peat and Turf; for the preservation of Wood & Timber of Great Britain so much exhausted, for the future prevention of which,

Is first, to permit the Author to enjoy his Patent, and fully to perfect his said Inventions (obstructed in the Reign both of King James and in the Reign of his Sacred Majesty King Charles the First, of ever Blessed Memory; and lately since his most Sacred Majesties happy Restauration) who desires nothing but to be animated with the Patent revived according unto the Statutes of 21. Jacob for Inventors.

Secondly, to empower the Author or any other Agents to take care that no Pit-cole, or Seacole be any wayes wilfully destroyed under ground.

Thirdly, To put all former good Laws in Execution, and to make others for the preservation of Wood and Timber of these Nations, especially near Navigable River or Seas.

Fourthly, Seeing there goeth out of England, Scotland and Wales, many thousand Tons Annually of Pitcole and Seacole to furnish France, and also the Smiths thereof Spaine, Portugal and Flanders, and especially the Smiths thereof; the Low-Countries and the Smiths thereof; besides the Hollanders carries great quantities of our Coles unto Foreign parts, without which those Countries cannot subsist: Now the Author desire is, that where there is a conveyency of Iron stone or Ewre, the Coles may not be transported (paying His Sacred Majesties Duty) until Order from His Majesty or his Privy Council.

Fifthly, That no Pitcole be Exported, seeing that Wood fuel and Timber is decayed for Buildings, and instead thereof Brickmaking (formerly spending Wood, but now coles) is much in use; also is Glasne now made with cole, but formerly were there many Thousand Loads of Wood fuel spent in the making thereof, and the Glas Invention with Pitcole was first effected near the Authors Dwelling.

Sixthly, Making of Steel, Brewings, making of Coppras, Allum, Salt, casting of Brasse and Copper, Dyings, and many other Works were not many years since done altogether with the Fuel of Wood and Charcole; instead whereof, Pitcole, and Seacole is now used as Effectually, and to a far better Use and Purpose; besides the preservation of Wood and Timber.

Seventhly, That which is somewhat nearer the mark and Invention; the Blacksmith forged all his Iron with Charcole, and in some places where they are cheap, they continue this course still, but small Pitcole and Seacole, and also Peat and Turf hath and doth serve the turn as well and sufficiently as Charcole.

Eighthly, That which is nearest, and my perfect Invention, and near the Authors Dwelling, called Greens-lodge, there are four Forges, namely, Greens-forge, Swin-forge, Heath-forge and Cradley-forge.

Which Four Forges have Barred all or most part of their Iron with Pitcole ever since the Authors first Invention, 1618, which hath preserved much Wood: In these Four, besides many other Forges do the like; yet the Author hath had no benefit thereby to this present.

Yet by this Barring of Iron with Pit-cole 30,000 loads of Wood and more have been preserved for the general good, which otherways must have been had and consumed.

Symon Sturtevant, in his Metallica, in the Epistle to the Reader, saith, That there was then Anno 12. Jacobi in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales 800 Furnaces Forges, or Iron Mills making Iron with Charcoal: Now we may suppose at least 300 of these to be Furnaces, and 500 to be Forges; and each Furnace making fifteen Tun per Week of Pig or cast Iron, and work or blow but Forty weeks per Annum, but some Furnaces make Twenty Tuns of Pig Iron per Week, and two Loads of Charcole or there about, go to the making of a Tun of Pig Iron: And two Loads (or two cords) of Wood at the least, go to the making of a Load of Charcole.

Now what Loads of Wood or Charcole is spent in great Britain and Ireland Annually? but in one Furnace, that makes Fifteen Tun per Week of Pig-Iron for Forty weeks: I shall give you the Table, and leave you to judge of the rest of the Furnaces.

15. Tun per week spends of	Charcole, Wood, 30 loads 60 loads
Per Annum 40 weeks spends	1200 2400 loads.

Also for one Forge that make Three Tuns of Bar Iron weekly for Fifty weeks, and some Forges make double my Proportion, and spend to Fine and Bar out each Tun three Loads of Coles:

3 Tun per week Charcole	9 Loads	18 loads
Per Annum 50 weeks	450 loads	900 loads

By these examples, may you see, the vast quantities of Charcole, or Wood, that the 300 Furnaces spend weekly, or yearly, and the 500 Forges workings all the year, spend little lesse then the Furnaces: It being impossible, after this rate for Great Britain or Ireland, to supply these her works with Charcole in Fining of Iron at the Fineries, yet the Forges that need but half the Charcole may be permitted to use Charcole, and may be supplied with under Woods.

Let us but look back unto the making of Iron, by our Ancestors, in foot blasts, or bloomeries, that was by men treading of the Bellows, by which way they could make but one little lump or bloom of Iron in a day, not 100 weight, and that not fusible, nor fined, or malleable, until it were long burned and wrought under Hammers, and whose first slag, slender or scori-us, doth contain in it as much, or more Iron, then in that day the workman or bloomer got out, which Slag, Scori-us, or Sinder is by our Founders at Furnaces wrought again, and found to contain much Iron and easier of Fusion than any Iron stone or Mine of Iron whatsoever of which slag and Sinders, there is in many Countries Millions of Tuns and Oaks growing upon them, very old and rotten.

The next Invention was to set up the Bloomeries that went by water, for the ease of the men treading the bellows, which being bigger, and the waterwheel causing a greater blast, did not onely make a greater quantity of Iron, but also extracted more Iron out of the slag or sinder, and left them more poorer of Iron then the foot-blasts, so that the Founders cannot melt them again, as they do the foot blast sinder to profit: Yet these Bloomeries by water (not altogether out of use) do make in one day but two hundred pound weight of Iron, or thereabouts neither is it fusible, or malleable, but is unfined until it be much burned, and wrought a second time in fire.

But some of the now going Furnaces with Charcole, do make two or three Tun of Pig or cast Iron in 24 hours.

Therefore I do not wholly compute the vast quantities of charcoles and wood spent in these voragious works, which quantity of cast iron, with pit-cole and Sea-cole, at one Furnace I desire not, but am contented with half the proportion, which once I attained unto before my Bellows were riotously cut, that is one Tun in 24 hours; we need not a greater quantity, if the like quantity were made in Furnaces in Scotland, and Wales, which abounds with Pit-cole and Sea-cole, as well as England; and our superannary Smiths, Founders, and Forgemens, and other Tradesmen might be there employed, thereby to furnish His Majesties Plantations, as well, if not better then England, where Coles are far cheaper then in England.

Although vast quantities of Coles do abound near the Authors dwelling, yet twenty thousand Smiths or Naylors at the least dwelling near these parts, and taking of Prentices, have made their Trade so bad, that many of them are ready to starve and steal; so that it is wished there were some courses taken to mend their Trade, employ them in other parts, or permit them, not to take so many Prentices, all which have great occasions to use Pit-cole, and had not these parts abounded with cole, it would have been a great deal worse with them then it is; but of the cole there is, nor will be any want, nor of Iron-stone.

The manner of the cole-veins, or measures ill these parts, and also of the measures of Iron-stone, or mines, how they lye, be, or increase, some veins lye circular, some semi-circular, some oval, some works almost in a direct line, and some works parts of a Circle; as by the Circle, it being only for a small Example to judge the rest of the Mines by may appear,

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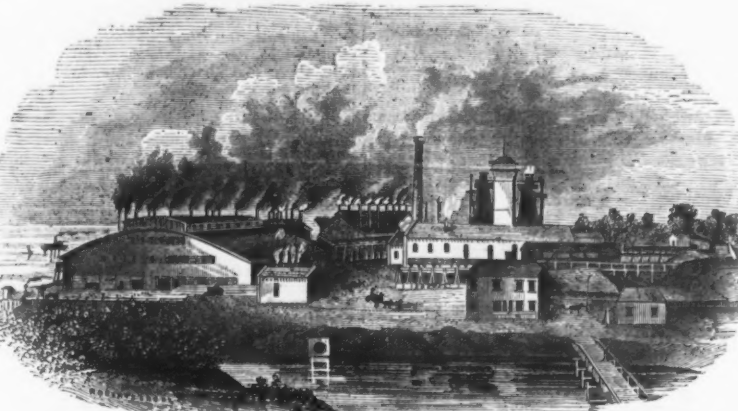
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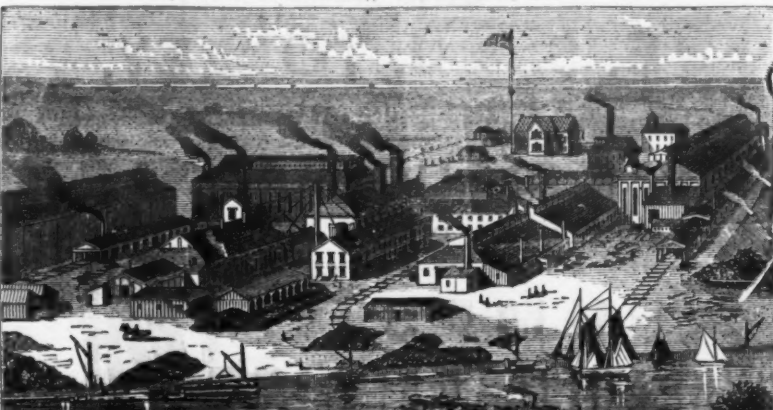
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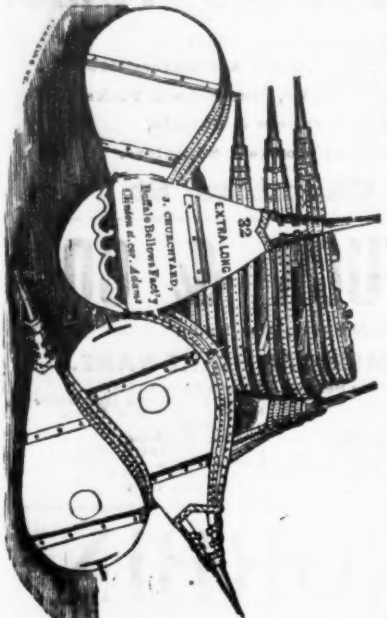
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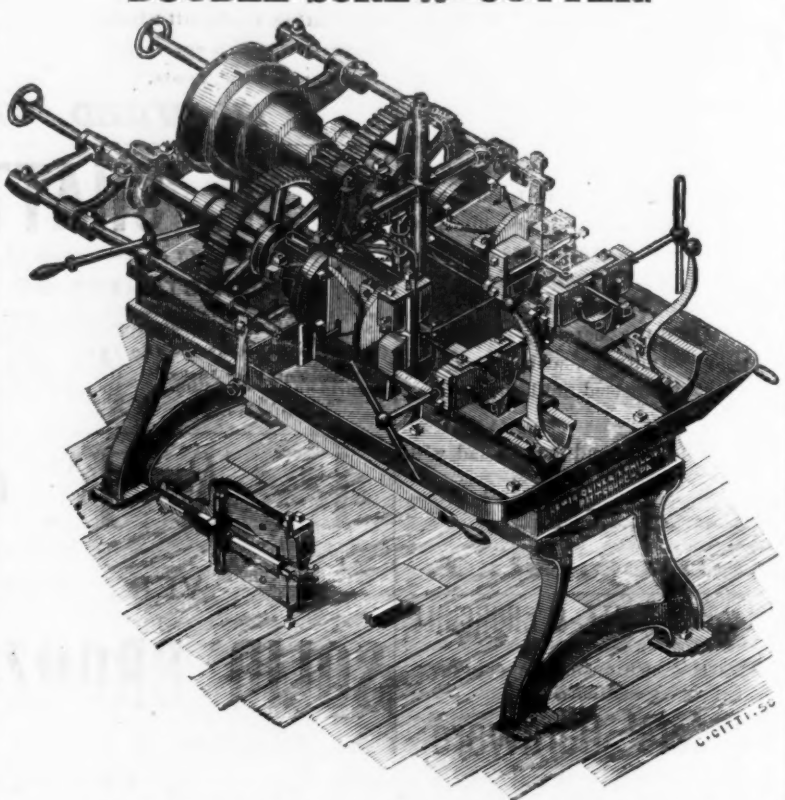
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On the Estimation of Phosphorus in Cast and Wrought Iron, Steel and Iron Ore.

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The precipitation and estimation of phosphoric acid as pyro-phosphate of magnesia being (although very accurate when conducted with care), as is well known, a troublesome and slow process and, when almost daily determinations are called for, involving much labor, the author was induced to use molybdate of ammonia dissolved in measured quantities of ammonia and nitric acid and water, as recommended by Eggertz. Failing to get satisfactory results, and being informed by Mr. Snellus that a simple solution of molybdate of ammonia added to the hydrochloric solution containing phosphorus would do, the author tried the latter, but still with uncertain results.

In some instances the phosphorus could not be precipitated at all, even on adding a large excess of the molybdate solution. It was found, however, that the non-precipitation of phosphorus was due to the fact that the solution was not sufficiently acid; also that an excess of acid considerably retarded the precipitation of the phosphorus, and it consequently occurred to the author that it would be well to add a slight excess of ammonia to the hydrochloric solution, and carefully acidify with nitric, or hydrochloric acid indifferently. The latter, however, proved to be the best, and ultimately the hydrochloric solution, containing phosphorus, and about one-fourth litre in bulk, was treated as follows:

1st. Ammonia added until complete precipitation of the oxide of iron, etc. 2d. Nitric acid added in just sufficient quantity to just redissolve the precipitated oxide of iron, etc. 3d. Heated to boiling, molybdate solution added (50 grammes molybdate of ammonia in one litre of water).

Solution well shaken (glass flasks are most convenient for this). If the usual yellow crystalline precipitate does not appear, a little nitric acid is added, the flask well agitated, more acid added, drop by drop, until a distinct precipitate appears, when a small additional quantity of acid may be added. The resulting yellow crystalline precipitate filters freely, is washed with water slightly acidulated with nitric acid, and has no tendency to pass through the filter. It is dried and weighed in the usual manner. 100 parts contain 1.63 phosphorus. Provided the above details are strictly observed, the greater part of the phosphorus is thrown down almost instantaneously.

It has been found, from frequent experience, that the whole process depends on adding exactly the proper quantity of nitric acid, with solutions containing about .001 grammes of phosphorus; also, that if the solution be too acid, no precipitate is shown; and, on afterward cautiously adding ammonia, an immediate precipitation is observed. On the other hand, the same result is shown when insufficient acid has been added, and a careful addition of nitric acid instantly throws down the phosphorus. With larger quantities of phosphorus this is not so marked; a notable quantity of phosphorus may, however, be easily overlooked; and the proper quantity of nitric acid to be added can only be learnt by experience.

In order to test the accuracy of the process, and also to ascertain the time required for the complete precipitation of a known quantity of phosphorus, the following experiments were made by my assistant, Mr. J. Needham, on whose practical skill I could thoroughly rely, the experiments being conducted under my personal supervision: A solution of phosphate of iron was made and mixed with excess of perchloride of iron. 100 cc. of this solution contained 0.1152 grammes phosphorus. For the experiments 100 cc. of the solution was poured into a tube, 100 cc. Burette, divided into 200 parts, provided with an Erdmann's float, so that the number of cc. to be used could be accurately run out.

Experiment 1.—To 25 cc. solution, excess of ammonia was added, then acidified with nitric acid, boiled 8 cc. molybdate solution added, and sufficient nitric acid until precipitation. Set aside on sand-bath 30 minutes.

Mean of five trials—Phosphorus found, .002868 grms.

Mean of five trials—Phosphorus in solution, .002880 "

Experiment 2.—25 cc. solution as above, was mixed with 12 cc. molybdate solution, to ascertain whether excess of molybdate would interfere with the accuracy of the process. Phosphorus found, .003085 grms.

Experiment 3.—10 cc. molybdate solution added to 25 cc. phosphorus solution, afforded .002880 grms. phosphorus.

Experiment 4.—16 cc. molybdate solution added to 25 cc. phosphorus solution, on four trials afforded .003378 grms. phosphorus.

Experiment 5.—12 cc. molybdate solution, added to 25 cc. phosphorus solution, along with an excess of nitric acid, yielded .001369 grms. phosphorus.

Experiment 6.—12 cc. molybdate solution added to 25 cc. phosphorus solution, 7 cc. excess nitric acid. Phosphorus found, .00271 grms.

Experiment 7.—As above, but 14 cc. excess of nitric acid used. Phosphorus found, .001450 grms.

The experiments 6 and 7, when set aside for many hours, gave no further precipitate.

Experiment 8.—It was thought that in experiments 2 and 4, with 12 cc. and 16 cc. molybdate solution, a shorter time might suffice for the precipitation of the phosphorus. Accordingly experiments 2 and 4 were repeated, but only allowed to stand 12 minutes. Phosphorus found, .002958 grms.; experiment 2 (two trials). Experiment 4 repeated with 16 cc. molybdate solution, and a slight excess of nitric acid, for 12 minutes. Phosphorus found, .00295 grms.

Experiment 9.—16 cc. molybdate solution to 25 cc. phosphorus solution; solution boiled, after precipitation of phosphorus set aside for 15 minutes. Phosphorus found, .004254 grms.

The foregoing experiments show that great caution must be exercised throughout the whole process.

If a considerable precipitate is at once shown, it may be considered probable that an excess of molybdate solution has been added. A slight excess of nitric acid is added, and the solution filtered as soon as the precipitate has settled, about 12 minutes being usually sufficient. In all cases the filtered solution should be re-tested for phosphorus; and if a further precipitate is shown, it is best to take a smaller quantity of the iron or steel, so that the whole of the phosphorus may be thrown down on the first addition of the molybdate solution. Experiment 9 shows that boiling must be avoided. The presence of lime, magnesia, alumina, and silica were found, by a careful series of experiments, not to interfere with the accuracy of the process. It is usually stated that the presence of soluble silica must be avoided. The author, however, is unable to confirm this.

For the estimations of phosphorus in Bessemer, pig, steel, and wrought iron, it is best to weigh 5 grammes of metal. Half a gramme is sufficient of common white clinker pig; one gramme for unknown irons, with second trial, guided by results of the first.

The Hitchcock Gun.—The Springfield (Mass.) *Republican* of the 7th inst. gives the following interesting information regarding the Hitchcock gun, for which our own furnaces will furnish the material: "In the fabrication of the large Hitchcock cannon, about to be manufactured at the water shops, it is necessary that the iron should be heated in a reverberatory furnace, to avoid its contact with sulphur and other impurities of coal. The gun is to be formed of rings of wrought iron or low steel, made without welds, the rings so formed as to be united first in the center, that the superfluous cinder may be squeezed out. The anvil which is to receive the blow of the steam hammer is to be seated on the piston of a hydrostatic press, so as to be lowered as each successive ring is added to the gun during the process of forging. The furnace is to be situated between the anvil and steam hammer, and so arranged that the rings project into it from below, and the hammer drops into it from above. The ring to form the muzzle of the gun is laid upon the movable anvil, and is projected sufficiently into the furnace to allow the flame to raise it to a welding heat. Meanwhile, in another part of the furnace the rings are heated to welding pitch at the same time by proportioning the heat, by means of dampers, to the relative bulk of the two parts. Without removing the parts from an atmosphere in which there is very little, if any, oxygen, they are laid together and instantly welded by a few strokes of the steam hammer. The anvil is then lowered the thickness of the ring just welded on, and the same process repeated until the entire gun is forged. One advantage Mr. Hitchcock has in his plan over all others is that he never over or underheats the metal; the temperature being regulated in either furnace by the turn of the hand, so that an even temperature may be maintained for hours if necessary, thus avoiding oxidizing, as the welding surfaces are not exposed to the atmosphere. The plunger, or ram, is to be made of cast iron, 18 inches in diameter when turned, and 14 feet long, with the head fitted to receive the anvil block. The plunger will weigh 5 tons. The anvil block proper will consist of a solid casting weighing 8 tons. Over the top of the anvil block will be placed several loose blocks, which will weigh 8000 pounds. The rings with which the gun is to be built up are to be made at Pittsburgh, Pa., and shipped to this city."

Wisconsin Iron.—Prof. Murrish, State Commissioner for the Survey of the Mineral Regions of Wisconsin, has made a report to the governor, which possesses much interest. It is largely devoted to a survey of the iron and kaolin deposits. He visited Vernon, Richland, Sauk, Juneau, Jackson, Wood and other counties in the section, which he finds rich in iron ore of excellent quality. At Ironton, in the northwest part of Sauk county, there is a mine from which has already been taken twenty-seven thousand tons of excellent Hematite ore, yielding from 50 to 55 per cent. of iron. He found ore of good quality in Richland Center, and also at Reedstown, Vernon county, where, in company with Senator Nelson, of Viroqua, he dug out in about two hours half a ton of good ore from three small pits on a hillside. At Black River Falls, and above, he found mounds of iron ore. Of Wood county indications, he says: "I know of no place on earth where there are more favorable conditions combined to produce extensive deposits of rich bog ore than here." He found beds of it there extending into Portage, and also in Juneau county. From the Iron Ridge and Ironton mines, 93,500 tons of ore were taken last year.

The Grand Vizer has commissioned M. Presael, the well known engineer, to undertake the survey of the ground for a line of railway from Tripoli, on the coast of Syria, to Bagdad, on the Persian Gulf. The Turkish Government favors this route in preference to that along the Euphrates proposed by British engineers.

A combined movement has begun among the workmen in the Sheffield trades, for the purpose of erecting works and manufactories on their own account. It is said that the scheme is planned to extend throughout the whole of the local trades, and that it is supported by the unions. The first company which has been started, is registered as the Exclusive Co-operative Iron Works Company, of Sheffield.

The 51-hour per week system is about to be adopted largely in the Scotch iron trade, but the workmen are dissatisfied with the manner in which some of the employers propose to work the system, which would, it is represented, divest the reduction of the hours of labor of all the advantages it possessed of a social and intellectual kind.

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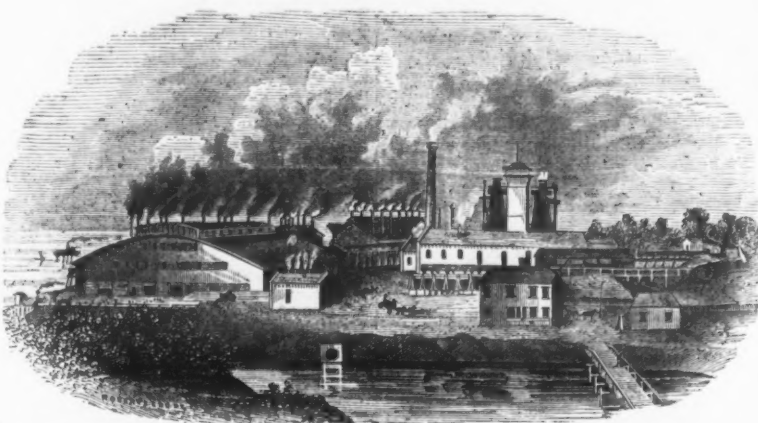
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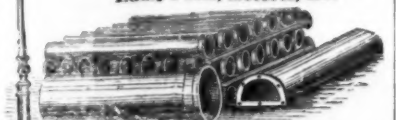
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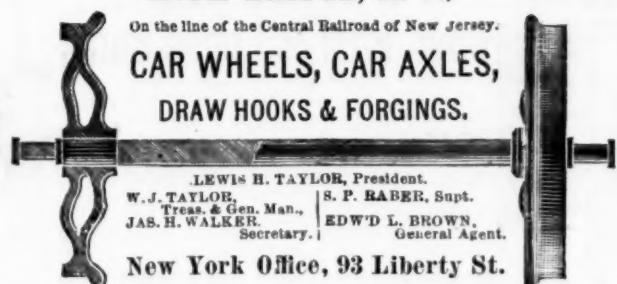
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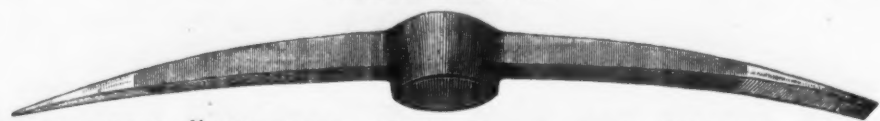
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PENNSYLVANIA.
The manufactory of McCaffrey & Bro. is situated at Nos. 1732 and 1734 North Fourth street, Philadelphia, and is known as the Pennsylvania File Works. It was started in January, 1863, in a small way, the proprietors employing but one hand, and has steadily grown since; they now employ upward of 20 hands, and their files and rasps have gained a reputation in the market equal to those of the best English make. They use almost exclusively American steel, and exercise great care in the different processes to which it is subjected before turning it out as a file. Messrs. McCaffrey & Bro. are practical workmen, and very careful that none but first class goods shall leave their place.

A large new foundry and machine shop went into operation at Danville a few days ago. The buildings and machinery are substantial and convenient, and embrace the latest improvements. Messrs. Cruikshank, Moyer & Co. are the proprietors.

The Reading Bolt and Nut Works are in constant operation, and employ about 100 hands. The works comprise a rolling mill department, where all the stock of iron used in the works is manufactured, and a bolt and nut manufacturing department, where all sizes of machine bolts and lag screws are made; also, hot pressed nuts, from the diminutive size used on a quarter inch rod, up to the largest size made in the country by machinery for a 2 1/2 inch rod, both square and hexagonal.

The iron propeller steamship Colima, built for the Pacific Mail Company, was launched on the 4th inst. from Roche's ship yard, Chester.

The rail mill of the Bethlehem Iron Company has ceased operations for the purpose of making repairs.

On February 14th the large rolling mill of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company, in this city, made the first steel rail ever manufactured here. The steel was obtained from the Midvale Steel Works, at Nicetown, near Philadelphia, and is of the Siemens-Martin process, and was furnished to the rolling mill in the shape of ingots of about 9 inches square, in sections, and the rails were rolled into the ordinary pattern of 68 pounds per yard. It is expected they will be as durable as any Bessemer rails made.—Reading Eagle.

A company has purchased property, including buildings, in Cataqua, for the purpose of engaging in the manufacturing of bolts, nuts and washers. Manufacturing will be commenced in about a month.

The Easton Sentinel says: The new Welkel iron mines, on lands of Mr. Bittenbender, near Hensingersville, Lehigh county, contains enough ore to supply half a dozen furnaces for the next fifty years. So says a competent judge. The vein is about 18 feet thick, and comes up to within 3 to 6 feet of the top of the ground. The ore can be taken out very easily and cheaply—at an expense, it is said, of not over \$1 per ton.

There are now in operation at the new rolling mill of Everson, Graff & Macrum, at Fountain Mills, 10 puddling furnaces, one heater, a coffee mill squeezer, a complete set of bar rolls, and a bar cutter, or shears. When completed, the mill will have, in addition to the above, 8 or 10 more puddling furnaces, a couple of sets of sheet rolls, heating furnaces, annealing furnace and softening furnace, beside other necessary machinery used in large establishments of this kind. When the mill and blast furnace are completed and in full operation, the entire es-

tablishment will give employment to about 500 men.

On the evening of the 19th inst., Earnshaw & McMillan's black lead and crucible works, Philadelphia, were partially destroyed by fire. The loss will probably amount to \$800 or \$1000, and is fully covered by insurance.

DELAWARE.

A few days ago a bill was pending in the Delaware Legislature, chartering the Williamston Furnace Company, for the manufacture of iron, and articles made from iron, with a capital stock of not over \$500,000, in shares of \$1000 each.

NEW JERSEY.

About 33 locomotives per month are built in Paterson.

The Franklin Iron Company, of Franklin, has increased their capital.

CONNECTICUT.

The Meriden Britannia Company has purchased within a trifle of half the stock of the Meriden Silver Plate Company.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The contract for building the Connecticut Central Road from East Hartford, Conn., to the State line near Springfield, has been let to Willis, Phelps & Co., of Springfield. The distance is 20 miles and the contract price is about \$25,000 per mile.

The iron front of the new Boston Pilot building has been cast by Edmund Grinnell, in his foundry at New Bedford. A large double column for the corner of the building is said to be the heaviest piece of architectural work ever cast in New Bedford.

Oliver Ames, of Easton, has purchased the Porter Britannia and Plate Company's works, at Taunton.

OHIO.

The ground purchased by the Etna Iron Works for their new furnace, etc., comprises 30 1/2 acres. This company has given out contracts for the building of 100 houses on Etna and Vesuvius lands, within the next 90 days—50 of them to be completed in 60 days.

The stove works at Defiance have stopped work, owing to the insolvency of the company, and a large number of workmen are thus thrown out of employment. It is thought arrangements for a resumption of operations will soon be made.

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MISSOURI.
The last pier of the St. Joseph bridge over the Missouri was landed on the bed-rock on the 3d inst. The bridge will be completed within seventy days.

MICHIGAN.
A blast furnace company with a capital of \$119,000 has been organized in Duluth—\$45,000 being home capital and the balance Eastern.

A car works company has been organized at Cassopolis, with a capital of \$50,000 already raised, and they propose to obtain \$25,000 more.

After some delay, chiefly induced by the inactive state of the iron market, the rolling mills in Jackson are now in continuous, although partial, operation. Iron was first made experimentally November 30th last, but the severe weather has interfered materially with the arrangements. A few days since the mill was started on a scale that will allow the manufacture of about 10 tons of iron per day—this with four puddling furnaces at six heats per day. As matters become somewhat systematized, the remaining four furnaces will be kindled, giving, in the aggregate, about 22 tons per day. As business further increases, additional furnaces will be erected, the capacity of the rolling machinery being equal to 35 tons per day, and using about 75 men. At present about 30 men are employed. The mills comprise two sets of rolls—a 16 inch train and a 12 inch train. The rolls are driven by a 200 horse-power engine, with a 20 foot fly-wheel capable of 90 revolutions per minute.

INDIANA.

Woodburn, Sarnon & Co's Wheel Works, at Indianapolis, were burned on the 11th. Chief Fire Engineer, Daniel Flazier, was killed by a falling wall. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

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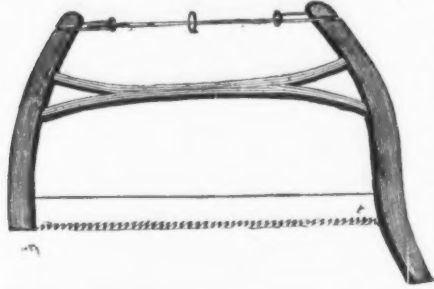
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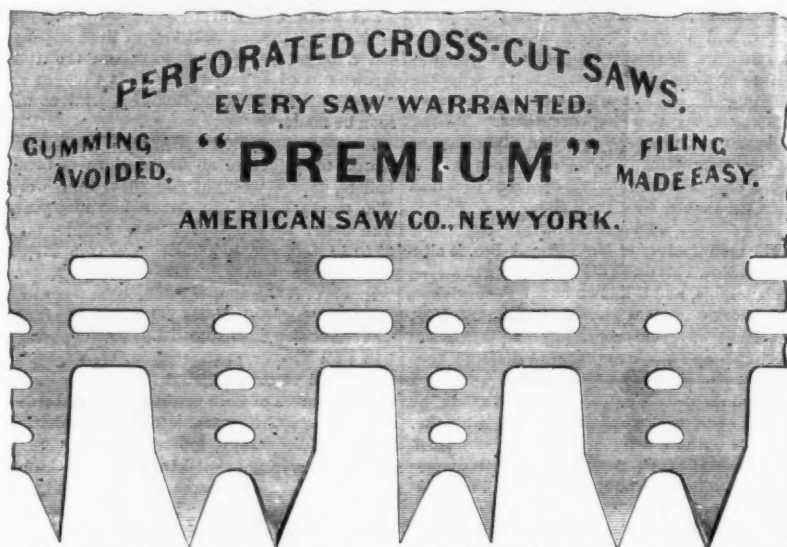


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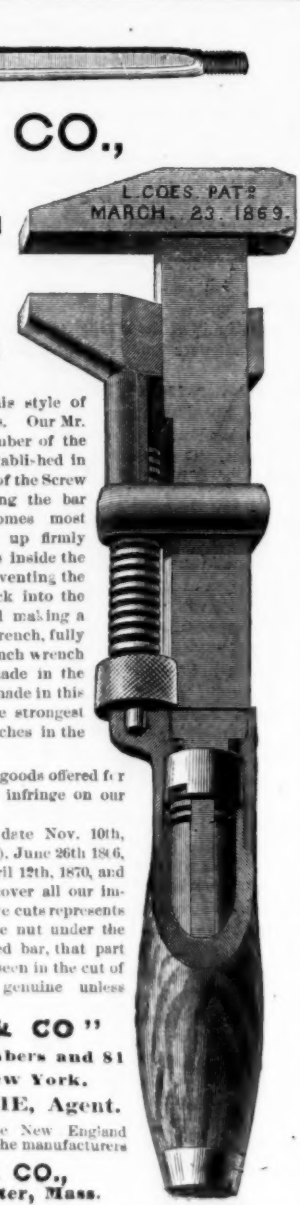
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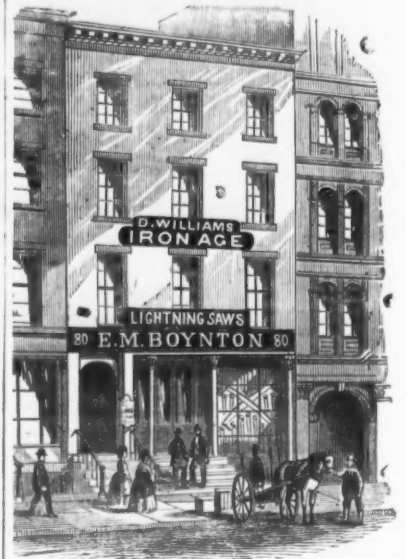
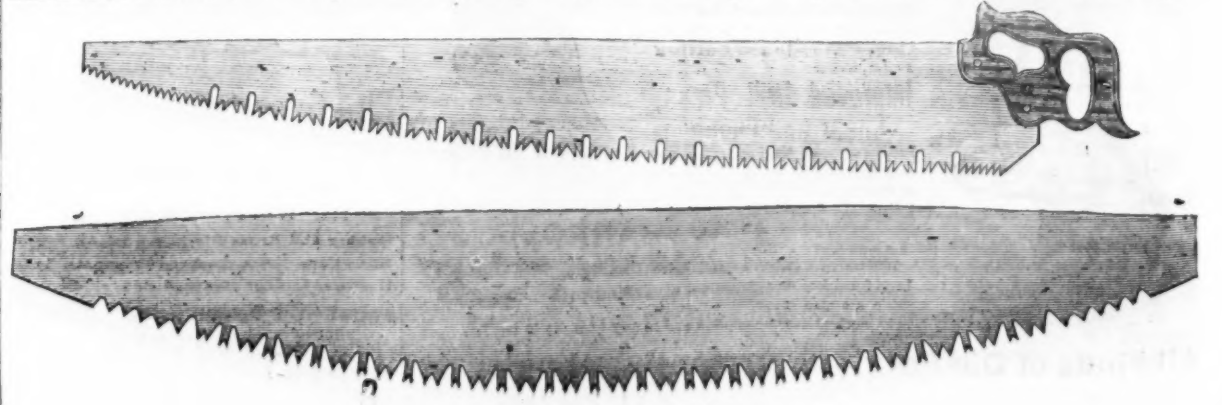
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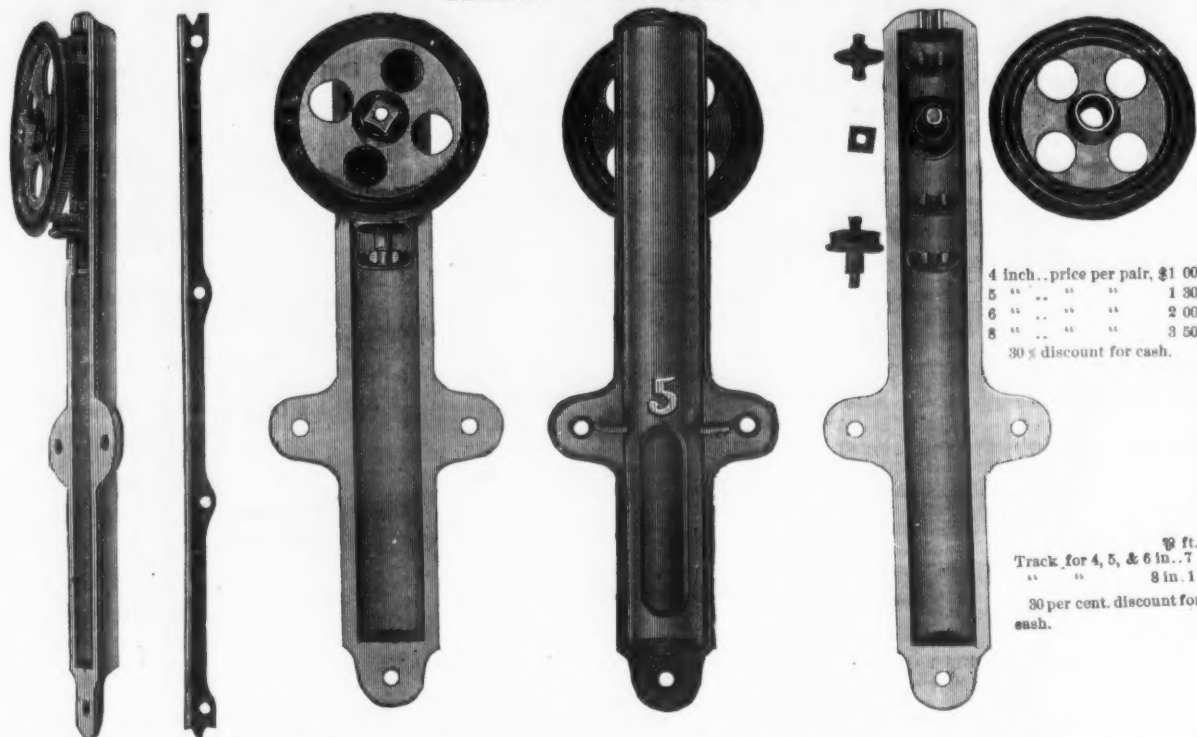
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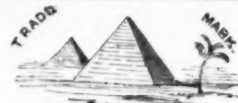
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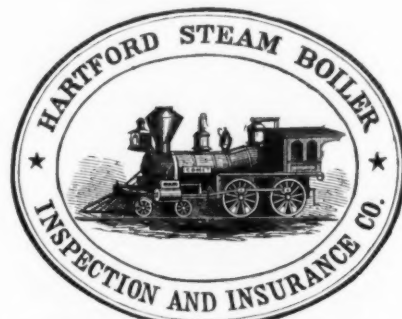
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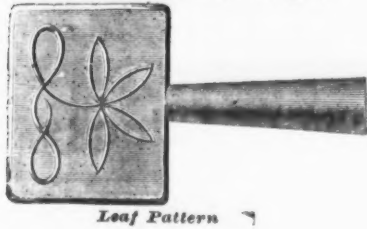
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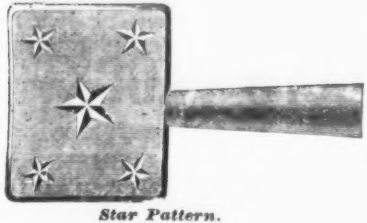
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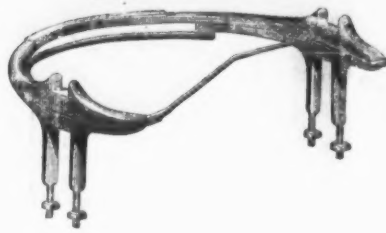
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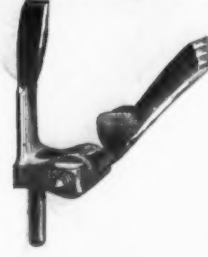


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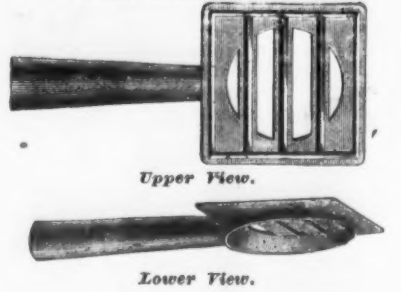
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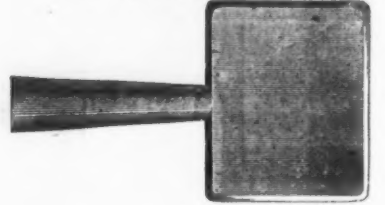
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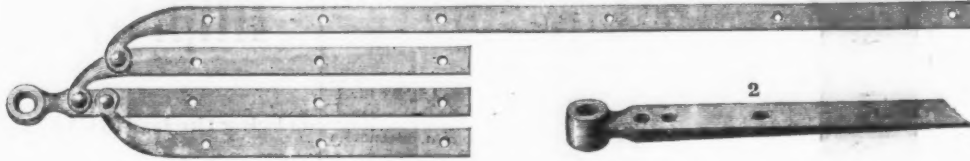
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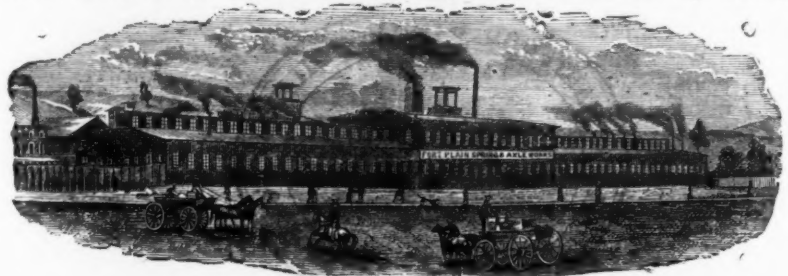
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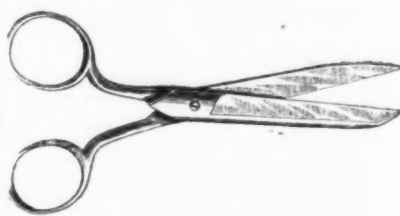
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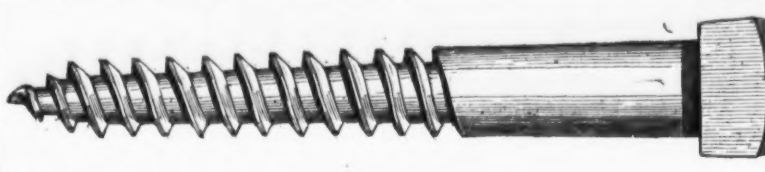


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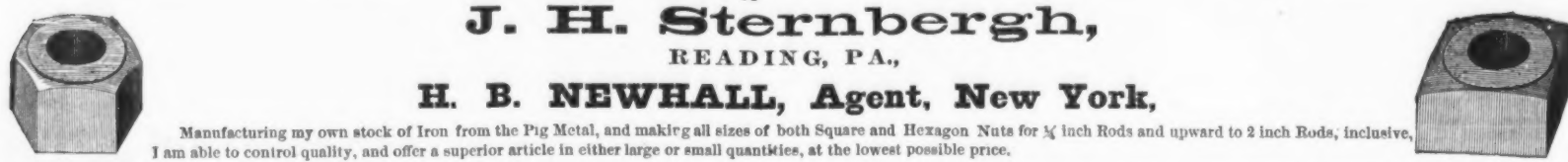
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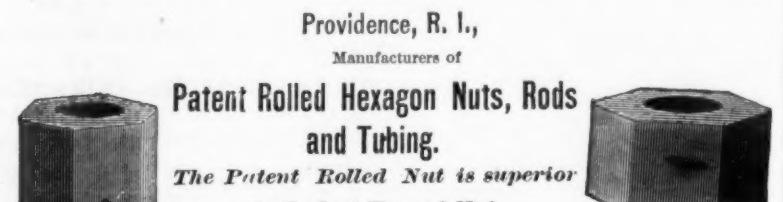
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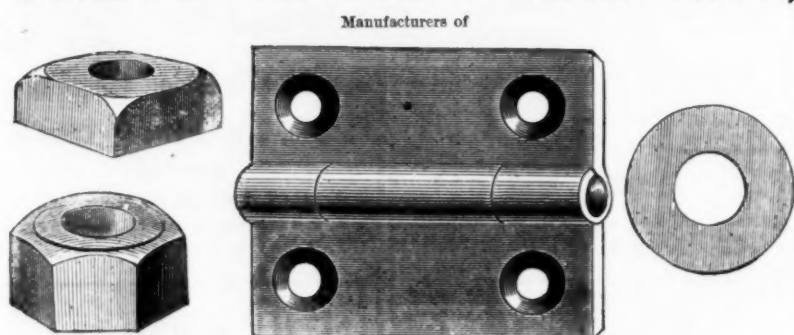
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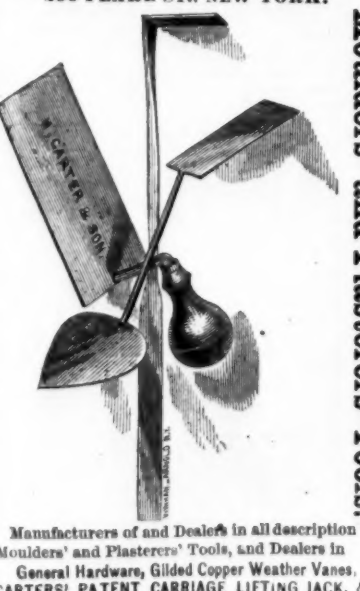
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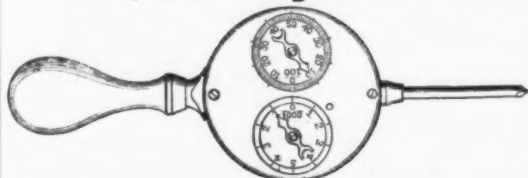
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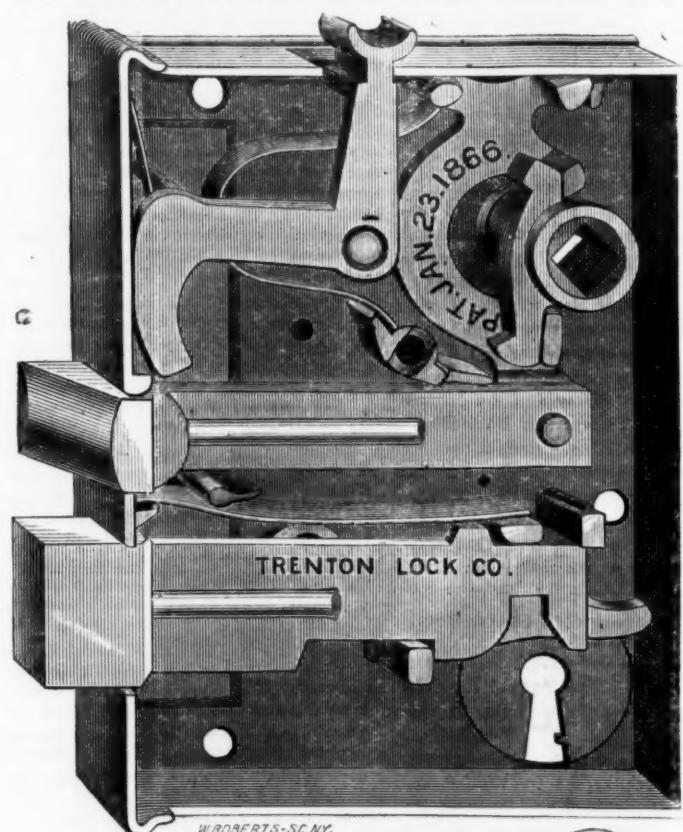
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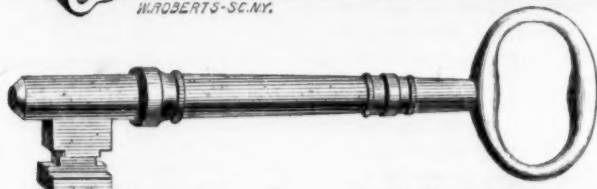
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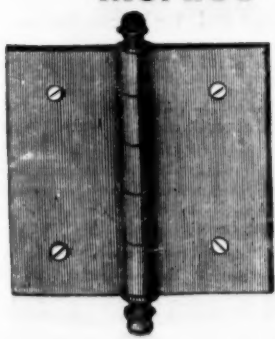
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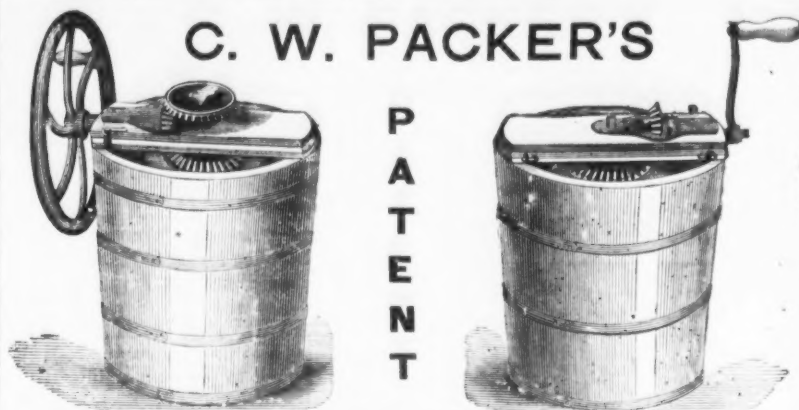
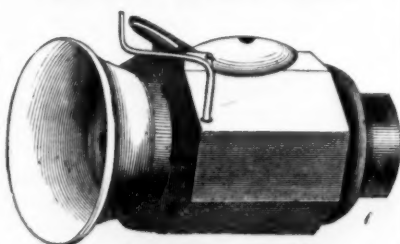
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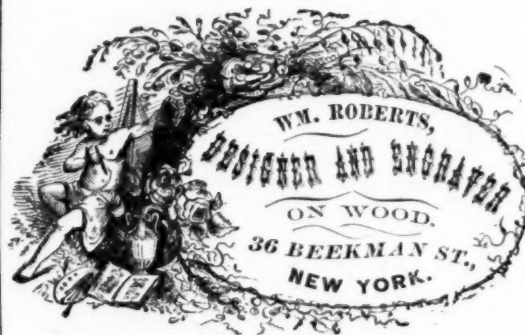
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Legislative Regulation of Railroad Management.

The question of whether the legislatures of the different States shall assume the regulation of the railroads operating within their jurisdiction, and, if so, in what manner, is now beginning to excite very general and thoughtful discussion. Mr. Charles Francis Adams, Jr., in an address lately delivered before a select committee of the Massachusetts Legislature, on behalf of the Board of Railroad Commissioners of that State, has done much to give point to this discussion by proposing a well considered and comprehensive plan, embodying the results of his observations and experiences. The impression prevails, and it is certainly not without foundation, that Mr. Adams fully understands his subject, and that his views have weight enough to entitle them to a hearing at least, whether they merit unconditional approval or not. Mr. Adams believes that the State cannot safely undertake to regulate the charges on railroads owned and operated by private companies, since the lobby influence which such companies could command would, sooner or later, secure them a practical control over the action of that body, and make them stronger than they now are to resist any reasonable public demand for lower passenger and freight tariffs. He believes, how-

ever, that railroads are in a great degree, if not wholly, exempt from any competition which will force them to lower their charges and furnish better and more abundant accommodations; and that it is necessary that the State should, in some way, interpose its power to protect travelers and shippers of freight from the extortion to which they are now subject. In his judgment, and that of his Associate Commissioners, the only safe policy for the Legislature to adopt is to purchase one or more lines of railroad, operate them with the closest economy, and put rates down to the lowest figures at which it is possible to do business and accumulate profit enough to pay annual interest upon the capital invested in the lines. Mr. Adams thinks that such an arrangement would leave no room for legislative dishonesty, since no one would have sufficient interest in the lines owned by the State to lobby for or against them. The benefit of such an arrangement would be found in the demonstration of the possibility of operating railroads profitably at low rates of freights and fares. The theory is that other roads, operating under conditions equally favorable to economy, must put down their rates as low as those of the State roads, or stand in constant danger of being bought by the State in the public interest—their only security against such a fate being in the reduction of their tariffs and in affording the public the best accommodations at the lowest prices. Mr. Adams' views are supported by strong, logical and consistent arguments, and will probably exert an ultimate, if not an immediate, influence in shaping the policy of the Massachusetts Legislature toward the railroads of that State. The experiment proposed by Mr. Adams would be an interesting one, and, should it be tried, the result will be awaited with much interest.

In other States the battle between the people, as represented by their representatives in the Legislatures, and the lobby, as representing the railroad interest, is waged with varying fortune—the heaviest artillery being evidently on the side of the lobby. In Illinois, where the experiment of fixing the maximum of railway charges and of shareholders' profits has failed to accomplish any practical results, there is a strong feeling against the railroads, but the force of public opinion has not, as yet, accomplished much toward making regulative legislation effective; and when it comes to an argument, the railroads generally have the best of it. In this State an impracticable and toothless *pro rata* freight bill hangs fire in the Legislature, but there has been, as yet, no organized effort at Albany to break the power of the railroad lobby, which may be considered absolute. In New Jersey a bitter struggle has been in progress during the past few months between the railroads and the people over the passage of an act which would weaken the monopoly of existing roads, by opening the way to the establishment of competing lines. In Missouri, a *pro rata* freight bill has been defeated in the Legislature by a powerful lobby influence, while in Indiana a bill has lately passed regulating passenger rates, but permitting discriminations in favor of through freights, and against local traffic, at the maximum rate of 100 per cent. within distances of 20 miles. In other States there are indications of a gathering of forces to support or resist railroad legislation, but as no two States propose to adopt the same policy, we are as far as ever from reaching a solution of the great question which now engages so large a share of public attention, and which furnishes such a fertile topic for newspaper discussion.

As our readers will remember, we have steadily and consistently opposed, for several years past, any legislative interference with railroad management, believing that existing evils will work out their own cure most rapidly and certainly if left to themselves. The power invoked by the people against the railroads is one which can too easily be wrested from the people and made to serve as a protection to monopoly. As in the legend of Frankenstein, it is easier to call up a monster than to make it "down" at our bidding; and we do not need further experience to teach us that powerful and united railroad companies, having a common cause, controlling a large capital—of which there is always a surplus for bribery and corruption—and possessing a great and far-reaching political influence, can buy up legislatures for less than it costs their opponents to elect representatives to office. The confession is humiliating, but we cannot close our eyes to the truth, when we see how easy it is for skilled lobbyists to transfer their operations from State to State, and even to the Senate and House of Representatives at Washington. Clearly, we run too great a risk in attempting to regulate our railroads by enactments subject to amendment or repeal at any time, since we thereby only take our sword by the point, while its hilt is within reach of the enemy. If, therefore, we must have experimental legislation affecting railroads—and we believe the time has passed

when argument can induce a change of public sentiment in this respect—there can be no doubt that the plan proposed by Mr. Adams is altogether the safest and best. A railroad operated as a public work would, if honestly and economically managed, show what could be expected from, and properly demanded of, private companies operating competing lines; and if the experiment were unsuccessful, or the ownership of the line or lines proved a burdensome responsibility, they could be sold without difficulty, and with but little loss to the State. Such a road, representing no private interests, would be beyond the reach of the lobby, for no one would have anything to make or lose by legislation affecting it, any more than from legislation affecting State or local improvements in which the chance for "jobs" is too small to make it worth while to lobby for or against them. Mr. Adams is undoubtedly right in saying that no partnership of public and private interest is possible upon terms other than disadvantageous to the former, and if the State is to have anything at all to do with the ownership and control of railroads, it must have all to do with them and private individuals nothing. We have not much faith in the ultimate results of the plan proposed by Mr. Adams, but it is the best of its kind that has been given to the public; and, if our railroads need legislative regulation, it is evident that we should first know what can be demanded of them with least danger of checking the construction of new railroads. At present our State Legislatures are blundering along without accomplishing anything, unless it be mischief; and if Mr. Adams' plan fails to realize his expectations, its failure, after fair and honest trial, may teach us that the only safe policy toward our railroads is one of non-interference.

Why We Should Not Make Iron in the United States.

We commend the following argument, published in England in 1868, to the attention of the so-called political economists who measure the prosperity of a country by the amount of its importations:

The United States of America are turning from importation of iron to the manufacture of this material. This is a somewhat premature step, unnaturally stimulated by an unreasonable tariff of import duties. A country like America has more profitable channels for the development of its natural resources than the sinking of the large amount of accumulated capital required for iron mining, and the slow returns which characterize this steady and conservative branch of industry. To cripple the whole effective power of that great nation, whose characteristic element and mainspring of existence is rapidity of industrial progress—to increase, and even to double the price of iron and steel in such a country by artificial means—must be considered the height of political insanity. The protective tariff will create a parasitic industry in localities unsuited for its development; it will create a vested interest in these sickly glass-house plants which cannot now, and which will not in the future, maintain themselves unprotected and in a natural state of affairs; and the end of it will sooner or later be such a commercial and industrial calamity as will astonish even our strong-nerved cousins across the Atlantic.

This sounds so much like what we have read in certain journals published in this country during the past few years, that it cannot fail to provoke a good-natured smile from the reader. But let us ask, in the hope that some advocate of free trade will answer the question—what we should do now, if, neglecting the development of our iron resources by means of judicious tariff legislation, we had remained dependent upon England for our supplies of iron? Would not "the whole effective power of this great nation, whose characteristic element and mainspring of existence is rapidity of industrial progress," be hopelessly crippled for want of iron, without which no material progress would be possible? Suppose, for example, we had had to look to England last year for the 2,400,000 tons of iron produced at home, in addition to what she furnished us, what would our iron have cost us per ton? We have no doubt there are many in this country, as well as in England, who still think that the continuance of a protective tariff on iron—which, from circumstances beyond our control, has ceased to afford any present protection, and which has never imposed any burdens upon consumers—"must be considered the height of political insanity;" but were it not for our "parasitic" iron industries, the condition of affairs prevailing in this country during the past three or four years would have been such as to astonish even our English neighbors, whose misfortunes would have been greater than they now are. We do not propose to enter into a discussion of the question of the benefits of protective tariffs, but we have given the free traders a congenial text, and are interested in knowing what sort of a sermon they will preach upon it.

Separate Tracks for Freight and Passenger.

We are glad to notice indications of a growing conviction among the managers of our great railway lines, that an important economy would result from accommodating

freight and passenger business on separate tracks. There is always an increased expense attending the operation of a line when two classes of traffic are required to be accommodated on one set of track. When the passenger business is large, demanding frequent and fast trains, the freight trains must keep out of the way and make time between stations—often traveling, when they have a chance to run at all, at a higher speed than passenger trains, whereas the greatest economy in the forwarding of freight is attained only when it can be moved at a moderate speed by trains following each other as frequently as may be necessary, and moving without interruption. With four tracks, a railroad may be so operated as to develop a capacity for the movement of freights far beyond what it is possible to attain when mixed trains are run upon two tracks, and a reduction in running expenses would soon be followed by a reduction in rates. It was long ago demonstrated that one freight railroad between Chicago and New York could easily carry all the freights that now come east by all the competing lines, without being worked to its capacity, provided sufficient depot accommodations could be secured at its termini. And we believe that when one of the through lines has provided separate tracks for its freight traffic it will be able to carry freights so cheaply and profitably that all other competing lines will be forced to adopt the same system.

New Boston.

With the return of milder weather, the people of Boston are beginning to bestir themselves in the matter of rebuilding the burnt district. During the winter months but little constructive work was possible, and the removal of the debris and ruins, the preparations of plans and working drawings, and the adjustment of new boundaries incident to the widening of the streets, have afforded plenty of occupation for architects, property owners and city officials. The delay thus caused, however, has not been without advantage, since the owners of property in the burnt district have had time to mature their plans, gather their resources and prepare for work, with a knowledge of what they are able to undertake, and how far their capital would permit them to go. At the present time the burnt district is said to be a scene of great activity and confusion. Thousands of men are hard at work, walls are rising, materials are accumulating, and before the end of the summer a new city will have sprung up in the place of that which was destroyed. Brick fronts will predominate, but granite, iron and marble will be well represented. In many respects, perhaps all, the new city will be at once more beautiful, more convenient and more durable than the old, and with the improved capacity for business secured by the Marginal Freight Railway and the Hoosac Tunnel, soon to be opened, Boston will probably enter with 1874 upon a new era of progress and development. The outlook is full of encouragement, and there is nothing in the situation to cast a shadow upon the hopes of the people, now that their vision is no longer smoke-obstructed.

The Saw Manufacturers' Convention.

On another page we publish an interesting account of the proceedings of the Convention of the National Association of Saw Manufacturers of the United States, held at Pittsburgh on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week. The Convention was one of the most dignified and business-like trade meetings ever held in the United States, and the association thus formed promises to result in correcting many, if not all, the evils which existed in the trade, injurious alike to manufacturers, dealers and consumers. It is a noteworthy fact that such changes as were agreed upon in prices and method of selling were made with every consideration for the interest of dealers, and there was an evident disposition on the part of all present to avoid any action calculated to disturb the saw market, or fix prices above those which must be charged to secure the manufacturer a fair interest upon his investment. We are indebted to the officers and members of the Association for the exceptional courtesies extended to our representative at the meeting.

The Crystallization of Wrought Iron.

NEW YORK, March 23, 1873.

To the Editor of *The Iron Age*: Agreeably with the request expressed by you in your issue of March 13, to discuss the peculiar phenomena of crystallization of iron when exposed to cold, and the greater brittleness attendant thereupon, allow me to call your attention to the fact that, from time immemorial, mechanics have entertained the belief that tools are more easily broken in cold weather than in warm. Hence, they warm their chisels on frosty winter days, knowing that if they neglect to do so they will suffer for it. Can we believe that their experience in this matter is entirely at fault or imaginary? I hardly think so.

Regarding the experiments made by Mr. Oliver Williams, they seem to me to settle the point as to the unchangeability of internal structure, contested by Thorneycroft, Roebling and others, if the bar sent to you was broken at the two ends *exactly in the same manner*, having only been exposed to different degrees of temperature. In what manner shall we explain the difference in the fractures, except by assuming that the molecular structure has suffered a change? I am well aware that this subject has given rise to a good deal of discussion, and that many reasons have been put forward *pro* and *con*. But, I am not aware that, in connection with this subject, attention has ever been called to the fact that other metals are likewise subjected to a change in their molecular structure when exposed to great cold. Professor Fritzsche, in St. Petersburg, several years ago, observed that blocks of Banca tin which were transported during extraordinary cold assumed throughout a crystalline texture and a basalt-like appearance. In the interior cavities were formed, some of which had a capacity of 400 cubic centimeters. The sides of these cavities were entirely smooth and of a metallic lustre, while the other portions of the tin, which had been converted into small granules, or into brittle particles of various sizes, had assumed a dull appearance. Dr. Van Der Weyde, in the *American Artisan* of September 21, 1873, communicated a similar case of disintegration of tin, but attributes the same not to cold but to galvanic action; the tin having been stored in a moist locality and in contact with copper or brass and iron. But these are not the only cases on record. In one of the last numbers of the *Revue Hebdomadaire de Chimie* it is stated that some tin, having been sent from Rotterdam to Moscow during very cold weather, was found on arrival to have become a coarse powder consisting of crystalline grains. It had the appearance of crystalline more than that of good tin, but an analysis showed that it contained at most 0.3 per cent. of lead and iron. The theory advanced by the writer for this change is that cold and vibration, one or both, caused it. Here we have two well authenticated cases showing tin undergoes a change in its molecular structure when exposed to great cold. Why is this? Why does iron exhibit a crystalline texture when broken at a low degree of temperature, while the same bar develops a fine, fibrous grain when heated to about 75° Fahr.? These are questions which science is unable to answer. We may well establish theories, philosophize about the constitution of matter, and bring into play the laws of crystallization, but, after all, we shall not be the wiser for that. What we want are facts—the explanation will find itself. We remember that one of our best chemists, the now deceased Runge, well known as the discoverer of the aniline colors, said once, that whenever he had to exert his brains he was certain never to accomplish anything. Now, while we believe that this is going too far, we must acknowledge that there is a good deal of truth in what he said. Supposing one should establish a theory of heat, without knowing more than a few of its phenomena, what would be the result? Let us look at the books of the ancient philosophers, or at those of the philosophers of the middle ages, and we shall have answers enough to this question. So it is with the phenomenon of the crystallization of iron, which you have so ably treated. Before closing, however, let me give you a few instances of extraordinary railway accidents, that happened in Sweden in the year 1865, and which are thus related by the *Technologist*. "In the winter of 1865, which was the first during which express trains were run between Stockholm and Gothenburg, an accident occurred which threatened to cast a mantle of mourning over the whole of Sweden. One morning in January, when the thermometer stood at -20° Fahr., his majesty, King Charles XV., left Stockholm by the ordinary express train. After proceeding for some hours at the speed of about thirty-five miles an hour, the tire of one of the wheels under the royal carriage broke in three pieces, and the carriage, having left the rail, was dragged along the ballast for a considerable distance. Providentially, no one was injured. Two days afterward, at a similar temperature, another accident occurred, also through a broken tire. The occurrence of a third and similar accident, also during this severe weather, induced the railroad authorities to decide on slackening the speed during the winter months to about twenty-five miles an hour, and since then no accident of that kind has occurred. The tires which broke in these cases were of iron, made in England, and were fastened with bolts to ordinary iron wheels. It is remarkable that the three above mentioned accidents should all have happened on the very day when the cold was severest, viz. -30° Fahr., but that none occurred during a frost in which the thermometer did not fall below -5° Fahr., a temperature by no means rare during several consecutive weeks in a Swedish winter."

Hoping that your request will call forth an interesting discussion, I remain yours, etc.,
ADOLPH OTT, Ph. D.
Chem. and Metallurgist.

Scientific and Technical Notes.

A correspondent of *Engineering*, writing from Paris, says that M. GRAMME'S ELECTRO-MAGNETIC MOTOR has received several improvements of late. The principle of this machine is that it produces continuous induction currents by the revolution of a circular electro-magnet before the magnetic poles of a magnet, and it collects the currents in a plane perpendicular to the poles. The following, according to the *Revue Industrielle*, is the method by which this apparatus is applied to silver electro-plating. Ordinarily, this is effected in a bath of water, of cyanide of potassium and cyanide of silver. The subjects to be

covered are suspended in the bath, a plate of silver being also suspended in the bath between each group of subjects. On the edges of the vessel are placed two channels, with insulated copper wires communicating, one with the negative pole of the battery, the other with the positive pole. All the frames which support the objects to be plated are in communication with the negative gallery, and the silver plates are connected with the positive battery. Ordinary table dishes receive a deposit of from 70 to 100 grammes of silver per dozen; they remain, generally, from 2½ to 3 hours. Generally, each bath is operated by six Bunsen elements. Electro-magnetic machines are also employed in this industry, but they have to be driven at a very high speed. The invention of M. Gramme has changed the aspect of affairs, and the celebrated establishment of Christofle, of Paris, has just decided only to employ these continuous electro-magnetic machines. The annular electro-magnet is composed of a core of soft iron on which is wound the coil. The wire is divided into a series of small bobbins, connected by a bundle of metallic plates. Each bobbin communicates with one of the plates of the bundle, and the plates are only separated from each other by a single thickness of silk. Two movable electro-magnets are mounted on one shaft. The machine weighs about 1000 pounds, the coil of the fixed magnet weighs 400 pounds, and the movable magnets 88 pounds. One horse-power is required to drive the machine, and the speed is 300 revolutions per minute. The tension of the current produced is equal to that of two ordinary Bunsen elements, and the quantity corresponds to 32 elements. The rubbers which collect the current are composed of a great number of copper wires, which are held together in a plate in the form of a broom. The elasticity of these bundles of wire gives a very soft contact, and avoids the solutions of continuity of the circuit arising from vibration. The advantages which this machine presents, in the new application which has been found for it, is, first, that only one-eighth the speed required for other machines is necessary; and, secondly, the constancy of the current, which batteries do not give in spite of the greatest care. The expense for a given weight of silver deposited is considerably less than with the battery.

Through the efforts of M. Fontaine and others, the subject of

CHEAP DOMESTIC MOTORS.

continues to attract a great deal of attention in France. Fontaine's gas engine, of one-man power, has received the gold medal at the Lyons exposition, and a silver medal was given to the constructors; but the general introduction of this motor is checked by legal prohibitions. The type of engine worked out by M. Fontaine has neither safety valve, gauge cocks, nor water gauge; and the administration, consulting old ordinances, imposes the necessity of providing his engine with all the accessories and safety apparatus generally employed. These complications greatly increase the cost of the machine, and restrict the number of its applications. M. Fontaine observes, however, that his domestic motor constitutes, in spite of this inconvenience, the most advantageous solution of the question, as well from the consideration of first cost as from cost of maintenance. He compares this engine to electric, hydraulic, and spring motors, and proves the advantages of simplicity and economy which the Fontaine engine possesses over all others. Calculations made by the inventor estimate the daily cost of gas, for a one man engine, from 1½ franc to 1.35 franc, according to the price of gas.

At the last meeting of the Society of Civil Engineers, Mr. Asselin recommended the use of GLYCERINE TO PREVENT BOILER INCrustATIONS. The theory is that glycerine, soluble in water in every proportion, increases the solubility of combinations of lime, and especially of the sulphate: it appears, beside, to form with these combinations soluble compounds. When the quantity of lime becomes so great that it can no longer be dissolved, nor form with the glycerine soluble combinations, it is deposited in a gelatinous substance, which never adheres to the surface of the iron plates. Moreover, the gelatinous substances thus formed are not carried with the steam into the cylinder of the engine. Mr. Asselin advises the employment of one pound of glycerine for every 300 or 400 pounds of coal burnt. This rule is by no means absolute, and must be corrected by experiment. But it appears reasonable to proportion the quantity of anti-incrustating fluid to the fuel consumed, and not to the power developed, or the area of heating surfaces. The glycerine is placed into the boilers in such a quantity, that sufficient for 15 days' supply is introduced at a time. From trials made with boilers fed with bad water, it was proved that the glycerine combined with all the salts, and left the plates perfectly clean. The objection has been raised against this mode that the glycerine may produce priming, but this objection has not been proved valid, and M. Asselin replies that insoluble bodies can only produce such an effect, and that it is not to be feared with glycerine.

Some interesting facts respecting the

SPEED OF RAILWAY TRAINS IN ENGLAND

have recently been published. The average rate of speed at which the quickest express trains travel is 47½ miles an hour. But there are two lines on which this pace is exceeded. The ten o'clock train on the Great Northern Road reaches Peterborough at half-past eleven; the distance is 76½ miles, and the pace 51 miles an hour. The quarter to twelve train on the Great Western makes the run to Swindon, 77½ miles without stopping, and does it in 1 hour and 27 minutes, or at the rate 53½ miles an hour. There are a number of other roads which make runs at the rate of from 45 to 52 miles an hour; but the journey from London to Bath by the quarter to twelve train is the quickest in the

world. The distance is 107 miles, and it is done in 2 hours and 13 minutes, including a stoppage of 10 minutes at Swindon. The actual time in traveling is 2 hours and 3 minutes, something over 52 miles an hour.

Messrs. Neilson, of Summerlee, have lately completed a

NEW PATENT BLAST FURNACE,

which is said to be the most original invention introduced into the iron manufacture since the application of the hot blast by the uncle of the senior Neilson. The furnace is totally different from the flue system adopted by Mr. Ferrie at Calderbank, Mr. Pultney, the manager at Summerlee, being of opinion that the flues at the top of the furnace may with advantage be dispensed with. The whole secret of the present operation depends upon the elevation of the furnace, and the proper distribution of the gas generator. The chief deviation from the plan previously adopted is that the furnace has been elevated from 50 ft. to 70 ft., gradually sloping from 16½ ft. at the bushes to 12 ft. at the top, the raw material being filled upon equal layers, and the blast modulated according to circumstances. Its performances are watched with great interest and it is believed that the plan of construction will show an important economy over old methods.

Type-Setting Machines.

BY JAMES A. WHITNEY, M. E.

The type-setting machine ranks with the steam cotton picker, the field corn-husker and the steam plow as one of the greatest mechanical problems and needed inventions of the age. Like the others mentioned, it has been the subject of experiments innumerable, and more than one earnest man's life has gone out in ruin and despairing effort to produce the requisite machine. I estimate roughly the number of American type-setting projects at a score or more. An examination in the British records showed me more than sixty patents in this line, and my search, for reasons not necessary to mention here, included little or nothing of what has been produced during the past four years. Some of those projected machines are marvels of ingenuity, but too complex for extended use. The Mackay machine, especially, which is now in practical and continued use in England in printing the Warrington Guardian, a journal of large circulation, is covered by half-a-dozen patents, and is rather a system of mechanism than a single machine. The same remark applies to the American "Alden" machine, which I had occasion to examine a few years since, and found a marvel of inventive skill, but, a *belle soeur* to a hurried printing office, although with a skilled operator it would set four thousand ems an hour. Indeed, it is useless, in the present stage of type-setting by mechanism, to expect its employment where rapid and cheap type-setting is most needed, to wit, on daily newspaper work. This is to be regretted, for each of the leading dailies of New York city expend from \$100,000 to \$200,000 annually for composition alone. For book work they are better adapted, and there are machines in New York to-day which have been employed for years past for this purpose. A Boston machine has also been offered for sale, and although I have not seen it in operation, the imprint from types said to have been set by it shows that good work can be done by such apparatus, thus reducing the whole question to one of speed or cost.

Most type-setting machines have been operated by keys played upon with the fingers, like those of a piano, and each directed to securing the movement of a single type from a type reservoir to a type receiver. The latter commonly receives the type set up in a continuous line, from which the matter is taken out by hand, justified, and placed on the galley. In the simpler forms of apparatus, each letter in the reservoir is kept in a row by itself, and is fed forward either by springs or gravity to a given point, where it can be pushed out by mechanism actuated by the proper key, and carried by still other devices to the receiver. The following description of the "Houston" machine, of which much was expected a few years since, will give a fair idea of the class:

"The lines of letters are arranged in grooves standing side by side in a horizontal position, and are forced to one end by weights or springs. Above the ends of these type channels is placed a receiving channel, one side of which acts a spring, and holds the type in an upright position as it is taken from the case. A shuttle laterally by devices operated by the keys. The types fall upon endless carrying tapes, from which they are transferred to another tape of like character running nearly at right angles to the first, and which carries them to a peculiarly notched wheel having an intermittent motion, which conducts the types to the receiver, where they stand in a long row until taken out. This apparatus, from the necessities of its construction, has tapes about half an inch in width, and must have not only room for the lateral movement of the types, but for the turning of them around at right angles to their original position in their transfer to the second tape. The machine, therefore, cannot be made narrow enough to permit a great number of types, there being but 34 keys, each representing a letter, point or space. The capitals and special type have to be put in by hand, which is done by putting them through a kind of chute which conducts them to the carrying tapes the same as if pushed by action of the keys. This limitation to the capacity of the machine is, I think, the only drawback to its extensive use, for, in watching its operations, I was struck with the ease with which it worked, and the simplicity of its construction. Feit's machine, also somewhat noted, is too complex in some respects for intelligible description without engravings. It had 40 keys and 8 type-holders, each with 36 type channels. In Brown's machine the rows of type placed upright slide in their channels down an inclined plane; a small type holder worked by hand moves across the end of the system of type channels. When the holder comes opposite the desired letter, a small pusher is worked by the finger to push it into the holder, this last being of the width of a galley, and moved from one channel to another at will.

I have indicated the above merely as examples of the leading or more notable apparatus, and not by any means as a perfect list, even of those that have given some evidence of efficiency. But no type setter that I have ever become aware of combines the essentials of one practically successful. I am satisfied, however, that the study of what has already been proposed or accomplished, combined with capital, a good deal of mechanical judgment, and a fair share of invention, would bring the matter of mechanical type setting to a satisfactory conclusion. I may here briefly indicate one or two conditions

which seem to me of the first importance in securing this result.

In the first place, the movement of the keys must be to a degree independent of that of the types actuated by them, so that the operator may touch the keys without keeping watch of the feeding of the types. This was done in the Alden machine, but the cumbersome character of the apparatus nullified this particular advantage. Several of the English machines provide stops by which all the keys are prevented from moving until the type moved by the previously actuated key is fairly out of the way, but this is manifestly a hindrance to easy and rapid manipulation of the keys. Furthermore: Although the power required for moving a single type from its place in the channel is small, the collective labor of operation is great. The keys, therefore, should be made to throw into gear at each movement devices operated by independent power and applied to moving the type; the principle being analogous to that of a "local circuit" in telegraphy thrown into action by a main circuit to actuate the instrument. Further: Many machines otherwise possessed of promise have failed utterly because they broke in pieces the common type of brittle typeset, and I doubt not from some of these valuable hints for future practice could be obtained. To obviate the difficulty it was many years since proposed to use copper type, and machines for making such type from copper wire were put in operation with all possible satisfaction, until it was found that the washing of the type to remove the ink, after printing, corroded and spoiled the type. But since that time benzine, which will not corrode, has come into quite common use for cleaning type, and the old idea could be revived at the present time with every prospect of success. It was also suggested that type be made of steel-wire, which was open to the same objection as the copper. But it is not more than four years since a French patent was issued on a machine for manufacturing steel type, which was shown to be capable of turning out 35,000 finished type per day of 12 hours.

The Statistical Annual.—The New York Daily Bulletin Association have published their second statistical annual, for the year 1872. It is a valuable work of reference, containing full tabulated reports on all the principal branches of commerce and finance, comparing the statistics of 1872 with those of several preceding years. The work is very comprehensive in its scope, gives evidence of great care in its compilation, and will be found useful to merchants and manufacturers in nearly all departments of trade and industry.

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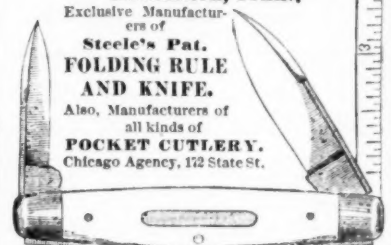
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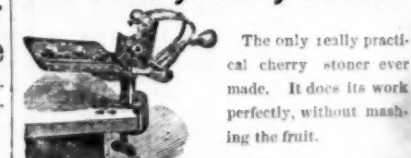
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Trade Report.

Office of THE IRON AGE,
WEDNESDAY EVENING, March 26, 1873.

The appointment of Judge Richardson to succeed Mr. Boutwell in the Secretaryship of the Treasury has been the principal topic of discussion in Wall street during the past week. In financial circles the appointment is not received with favor. Mr. Richardson is a man almost unknown in public life, possessing, so far as experience is concerned, no practical knowledge of commerce and finance, and having, as yet, no claim upon the confidence of the business community. He may possess eminent qualifications for the discharge of the duties devolving upon him in the high and responsible office to which he has been promoted, but the probabilities are that, as a protégé of Mr. Boutwell, he will content himself with carrying out the policy of his predecessor, either ignorant of, or caring but little for, the commercial interests over which the Treasury, under the present system, exercises so absolute a control. It is, perhaps, unfair to pronounce judgment upon a man's abilities until he has had a fair chance to prove them, and it is better to hope that Mr. Richardson has learned wisdom from the experiences of his official predecessor, than to despair of reforms until we shall have had an opportunity to determine whether the new incumbent is equal to the work he has assumed. There has also been some excitement in Wall street, growing out of the discovery made last week that considerable amounts of forged railway stock had been hypothecated, but it was allayed when it was discovered that only 500 forged shares of Wabash and 200 of Fort Wayne had been nipped in the bud. The suspension of the Bull's Head bank caused a temporary disturbance in banking circles. The amount of the deficit is reported at \$257,383.31. The bank's liabilities amount to \$1,454,659, and its assets to \$1,197,276. To-day the stockholders' committee agreed on a proposition to increase the capital stock of the bank, and allow the depositors who are most interested to take preferred stock enough to make up the full amount of the deficiency, thus placing the bank in working order again.

On Tuesday last the money market, which had previously been very stringent, became somewhat easier, and rates on call declined from 3-16 of one per cent. per day, to 7-8, gold, and 7, currency, on governments as collaterals. The closing rates to-day are 1-32 and interest. Mercantile paper has moved more freely at 10 @ 12 per cent.

The gold market has been strong, with fluctuations as shown in the following table:

	Highest.	Lowest.
Thursday	115 1/2	115 1/2
Friday	115 1/2	115 1/2
Saturday	115 1/2	115 1/2
Monday	115 1/2	115 1/2
Tuesday	115 1/2	115 1/2
Wednesday	115 1/2	115 1/2

In the stock market there has been but little speculation, and the market is without feature of special interest. The principal dealings have been in N. Y. Central, Erie, Rock Island, Lake Shore, Northwest, St. Paul, Pacific Mail, Union Pacific, and Western Union. The highest and lowest of to-day's quotations of active shares are given below.

The movements in foreign trade for the past week are shown by the following tables:

	1871.	1872.	1873.
Tot. for week	\$1,580,607	\$3,313,542	\$10,997,728
Prev. reported	73,601,278	81,831,966	88,450,214

Since Jan. 1.....\$21,771,885 \$90,065,508 \$99,447,942
Included in the reports of general merchandise for the week are:

Anvils.....	305	\$5,300
Brass goods.....	3	4,485
Bronzes.....	1	1,693
Chains and anchors.....	297	13,432
Copper.....	79,416	
Cutlery.....	184	64,387
Gas fixtures.....	23	6,739
Guano.....	97	11,883
Hardware.....	34	2,564
Iron, hoop, tons.....	846	26,028
Iron, sheet, tons.....	166	14,349
R. R. bars.....	8,884	129,808
Iron cotton ties.....	816	1,864
Iron, tubes.....	516	1,318
Iron, other, tons.....	6,903	67,806
Lead, pigs.....	8,910	47,004
Metal goods.....	269	23,707
Needles.....	34	14,188
Old metal.....	1	1,886
Plating.....	1,086	
Plated ware.....	4	211
Percussion caps.....	5	1,084
Saddlery.....	3	741
Steel.....	49,968	45,965
Silverware.....	168,750	8,015
Tin boxes.....	25,548	231,322
Tin, 2577 slabs.....	109,354	34,329
Wire.....	45,435	
Zinc.....	208,230	13,055

	1871.	1872.	1873.
For the week	\$5,123,147	\$5,130,547	\$5,360,047
Pre. reported	49,301,443	48,817,332	52,766,562

Since Jan. 1.....\$54,514,630 \$48,937,989 \$50,026,069

EXPORTS, EXCLUSIVE OF SPECIE

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EXPORTS OF SPECIE

	1871.	1872.	1873.
Total for the week	\$281,774		
Previously reported	12,061,910		

Total since January 1, 1873.....\$12,843,684

Government bonds have been strong throughout, with a fair demand from foreign bankers. The closing quotations of governments are given below.

The bank statement shows the associated banks to have \$217,225 in lawful money above the 25 per cent. requirement, a gain of \$481,475 since last week, indicating a sharp contraction of loans. The following is a comparison of the averages of the past and preceding weeks:

	March 15.	March 22.	Differences.
Loans.....	\$278,028,600	\$275,198,800	Dec. \$2,829,800
Specie.....	16,946,700	17,423,300	Inc. 225,600
Circulation.....	27,610,400	27,613,600	Inc. 3,200
Deposits.....	196,055,000	194,622,400	Dec. 1,471,600
Loans, Fed.....	38,715,500	38,804,200	Dec. 411,300

Government bonds at the close were steady at the following quotations:

	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. Currency 6s.....	114 1/2	115
U. S. 6s, 1881, reg.....	118	118 1/2
U. S. 6s, 1881, c.....	119 1/2	120 1/2
U. S. 6s, 5-20 reg, May and Nov.....	117	117 1/2
U. S. 6s, 1862, c.....	117 1/2	118
U. S. 5-20 1864, c.....	117	117 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1865, c.....	117 1/2	118
U. S. 5-20 1867, 7 Jan. and July.....	117 1/2	118
U. S. 5-20 1868, c. Jan. and July.....	116 1/2	117
U. S. 5-20 c. 1867.....	118	118 1/2
U. S. 5-20 c. 1868.....	117 1/2	118
U. S. 10-40 reg.....	117 1/2	118
U. S. 10-40 c.....	117 1/2	118
U. S. 5s 1881 reg.....	114 1/2	115
U. S. 5s 1881 c.....	114 1/2	115

The following were the highest and lowest prices of stocks to-day:

	Highest.	Lowest.
N. Y. Cen. & Hudson Consolidated.....	107 1/2	107
Lake Shore.....	90 1/2	90
Rock Island.....	114 1/2	114
Harlem.....	137 1/2	137
Western Union Telegraph.....	86 1/2	86
Wabash & St. Paul.....	57 1/2	57

GENERAL HARDWARE.

The National Association of Saw Manufacturers of the United States, of whose Convention brief mention was made in our issue of 20th instant, concluded their session which was held at the Monongahela House, Pittsburgh, at 3:30 p. m., on Friday, 21st instant. That the meeting was a very important one and brought about by the positive necessities of the trade, will be apparent to our readers when they review the list and importance of the manufacturers represented. The amount of business transacted was very large, including as it did the formation of a permanent organization, with constitution, by-laws and title, as mentioned above.

The officers of the Association consist of a President, two Vice Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, and an Executive Committee composed of six members, with the President and Secretary, *ex officio*.

The following officers were elected, and immediately entered upon the duties of office: President, Joseph Flint, Rochester, N. Y.; First Vice President, Hamilton Diston, Philadelphia, Pa.; Second Vice President, Joseph W. Branch, St. Louis, Mo.; Secretary and Treasurer, M. McFarlin, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The following gentlemen constitute the Executive Committee: Messrs. E. M. Madden, Hogan, C. W. Hubbard, E. A. Price, H. W. Peace, Henry Diston, and the President and Secretary.

The following establishments were represented and signed the constitution:

Henry Diston & Sons,
Wheeler, Madden & Clemson,
Branch, Crookes & Co.,
Hubbard, Lippincott, Bakewell & Co.,
Harvey W. Peace,
James Ohlen,
Joseph Flint & Co.,
E. C. Atkins & Co.,
W. B. Barry & Co.,
Pruyn & Lansing,
Andrews & Burbage,
E. G. Peckham,
H. & P. Mellus,
E. Andrews,
Knippenberg & Co.,
D. Price & Son,
Emerson, Ford & Co.,
Jonathan Hattersley & Son,
Curtis & Co.,
Kimball & Sanford,
Ballard, Fisk & Co.,
E. M. Boynton,
Hogan & Bowden,
Monroe, Tillinghast & Co.

Letters of approval and sympathy with the objects of the meeting were received from the following manufacturers, and were read by the Secretary: Messrs. Henry R. Warner, William McNiece, A. H. Simpson, M. Schwartz, Cocker & Trevor, Porter Saw Co., American Saw Co., T. F. Cheritree & Co., Welch & Griffith, Worrall & Co., Richardson Brothers, R. Hoe & Co. and Pacific Saw Works.

A motion to abolish the warranty altogether caused considerable discussion, and although a majority would have favored its adoption, it was considered better to try, at least for the present, a modification of the present warranty. The following form was unanimously adopted: "Each Saw shall be warranted free from flaws and seams and practically true. If found defective in either of these particulars, it may be returned at shipper's expense, and if, on examination by the maker, he is satisfied the Saw is at fault, a new one may be given in exchange, or the Saw returned may be rehammered or made good, at the option of the manufacturer."

It was also unanimously resolved that "all existing consignments be closed up before the meeting of the Association in December next, and no consignments to be made in future." On the subject of price lists and discounts, it was conceded that the present was not a fitting time to enter upon any radical adjustment of that class of goods which are manufactured almost exclusively for the Hardware trade, and with this view the Convention confined themselves to correcting the evils existing in the heavier branches of the trade; evils caused as much by the lack of uniformity in lists and ignorance of each other's proceedings, as by the more natural effect of competition. A committee was appointed to prepare a new price list for Circular and Top Saws, Shingle, Veneer, Mill, Mulay, Gang, Drag, Cross Cut and Pit Saws, Fay's Scroll Saws, and repairing. This difficult work was accomplished and a new and uniform list for these goods presented by the committee, acted upon and ordered to be printed, and take effect on May 1st, the regular discount from the new list to be 10 @ 15 per cent.

It was also unanimously agreed that in order to have a uniform scale of prices from the present time until the new list goes into operation, May 1st, that all the manufacturers shall, during the interval, use Henry Diston & Sons list, for Circular, Mill, Mulay, Drag, Gang and Pit Saws, and the New Cross Cut list, which is as follows:

	No. 1. Cross Cut Saws.....	70 cents.
Single Hook Tooth.....	75	
Feather Edge.....	80	
Champion.....	80	
Tuttle's Patent.....	80	
All Improved or Patent Teeth.....	80	

The above to be set and sharpened and stamped with the maker's name.

No. 2. or Second Quality..... 57 cents.

" 2. Single Hook Tooth..... 57 "

Plain, or not set and sharpened.

The regular discount of the Saws enumerated above will be 10 @ 15 per cent.

Before the final adjournment, telegrams were received from some of the most important absentees, attesting their willingness to abide by the rules of the Convention. After a session of two days and a half, the National Association of Saw Manufacturers of the United States adjourned, to meet again on the first Wednesday in December, at Cleveland, Ohio. Before closing this notice of the first meeting of the Saw Manufacturers of the United States, it is only proper to state that the utmost harmony and good feeling prevailed from its inception to its close. Every decision arrived at was unanimous, and the members separated with a better understanding of each other, with a great many local as well as general differences satisfactorily adjusted, and with the expressed opinion and belief that this, their first Convention, was not only successful beyond the most sanguine expectations, but that it was the precursor of many pleasant reunions of the representatives of this important industry.

For the convenience of our readers, we publish herewith that portion of Henry Diston & Sons' list which was adopted for use until the revised list shall take effect, as before stated, on May 1st:

Diameter.	Gauge.	Size of Holes.	Each.	For each additional Gauge.	Prices for Beveling Per Gauge.
4 inch.....	19	3/4	\$0.85	\$0.09	
5 ".....	19	3/4	1.00	0.07	
6 ".....	18 1/2	3/4	1.20	0.09	
7 ".....	18 1/2	3/4	1.45	0.10	
8 ".....	18 1/2	3/4	1.75	0.11	
9 ".....	17 1/2	3/4	2.10	0.14	
10 ".....	15	3/4	2.50	0.16	
12 ".....	15 1/2	3/4	3.40	0.20	
14 ".....	15 1/2	3/4	4.00	0.24	
16 ".....	14 1/2	3/4	4.75	0.28	
18 ".....	13 1/2	3/4	5.50	0.34	
20 ".....	13 1/2	3/4	6.50	0.40	
22 ".....	12 1/2	3/4	7.50	0.48	
24 ".....	11 1/2	3/4	9.00	0.55	
26 ".....	11 1/2	3/4	10.50	0.65	
28 ".....	10 1/2	3/4	12.00	0.75	
30 ".....	10 1/2	3/4	13.50	0.85	
32 ".....	10 1/2	3/4	15.00	1.00	
34 ".....	9 1/2	3/4	16.50	1.20	
36 ".....	9 1/2	3/4	18.00	1.40	
38 ".....	8 1/2	3/4	20.00	1.60	
40 ".....	8 1/2	3/4	22.00	1.80	
42 ".....	8 1/2	3/4	24.00	2.00	
44 ".....	7 1/2	3/4	26.00	2.20	
46 ".....	7 1/2	3/4	28.00	2.40	
48 ".....	7 1/2	3/4	30.00	2.60	
50 ".....	6 1/2	3/4	32.00	2.80	
52 ".....	6 1/2	3/4	34.00	3.00	
54 ".....	5 1/2	3/4	36.00	3.20	
56 ".....	5 1/2	3/4	38.00	3.40	
58 ".....	4 1/2	3/4	40.00	3.60	
60 ".....	4 1/2	3/4	42.00	3.80	
62 ".....	4 1/2	3/4	44.00	4.00	
64 ".....	4 1/2	3/4	46.00	4.20	
66 ".....	4 1/2	3/4	48.00	4.40	
68 ".....	3 1/2	3/4	50.00	4.60	
70 ".....	3 1/2	3/4	52.00	4.80	
72 ".....	3 1/2	3/4	54.00	5.00	

TOP CIRCULAR SAWS FOR DOUBLE MILLS.

	24	26	28	30	32	34	36 in.
\$11.75	13.00	15.00	17.00	19.50	22.50	26.00	

SHINGLE SAWS TAPERING TO 14 GAUGE.

	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48 in.
\$22.00	20.00	31.00	36.00	43.00	55.00	70.00	80.00	90.00	

MILL AND DRAG SAWS.

No. 1 Cast Steel Extra Tempered Patent Ground Mill and Drag Saws.

Length.	6 ft.	6 1/2	7	7 1/2
5 Gauge.....	\$8.40	\$8.55	\$9.30	\$9.75
6 ".....	7.90	8.05	8.80	9.25
7 ".....	7.40	7.55	8.30	8.75
8 ".....	6.90	7.05	7.80	8.25
9 ".....	6.40	6.55	7.30	7.75

No. 2 Cast Steel Patent Ground Mill and Drag Saws.

Length.	6 ft.	6 1/2	7	7 1/2
5 Gauge.....	\$7.50	\$7.65	\$8.50	\$9.00
6 ".....	7.00	7.15	8.00	8.50
7 ".....	6.50	6.65	7.50	8.00
8 ".....	6.00	6.15	7.00	7.50
9 ".....	5.50	5.65	6.50	7.00

Patent Ground Gang Saws.—10 to 14 Gauge.

No. 1, Extra tempered.....\$1.00 per foot.

No. 2, Cast Steel..... 90 "

No. 1 CAST STEEL EXTRA TEMPERED PATENT GROUND MULAY SAWS.

Length.	6 ft.	6 1/2	7	7 1/2
5 Gauge.....	\$10.00	\$10.50	\$11.00	\$11.50
6 ".....	9.50	10.00	10.50	11.00
7 ".....	9.00	9.50	10.00	10.50
8 ".....	8.50	9.00	9.50	10.00
9 ".....	8.00	8.50	9.00	9.50

No. 2 CAST STEEL PATENT GROUND MULAY SAWS.

Length.	6 ft.	6 1/2	7	7 1/2
5 Gauge.....	\$11.00	\$11.50	\$12.00	\$12.50
6 ".....	10.50	11.00	11.50	12.00
7 ".....	10.00	10.50	11.00	11.50
8 ".....	9.50	10.00	10.50	11.00
9 ".....	9.00	9.50	10.00	10.50

Cast Steel Pit Saws.....\$1.00 per foot.

There is a general complaint of light transactions in both Shelf and Heavy Hardware, and the opinion is freely expressed that sales for March will fall considerably short of the same period last year. It seems hardly reasonable to expect it to be otherwise, with a market confined to legitimate transactions and almost entirely void of any speculative element.

There are few, if any, changes to note. Bartholomew's Braces are quoted discount 15 and 10 per cent. Hart, Bliven & Mead Mfg. Co.'s Cleavers, discount 45 and 10; formerly 50 and 10 per cent. Parker's Blind Butts, discount 25 and 10 per cent. Horse and Curry Cards, discount 20 and 10 per cent. Cork Lined Wood Faucets, discount 50 @ 55 and 10 per cent. Screw Hooks and Eyes, squared list, discount 60 and 10 per cent. Try Squares and T Bevels, discount 45 and 10 per cent. Coe's Genuine Wrenches discount 30 and 10 per cent. Stebbins' Molasses Gates, discount 60 and 10 per cent. There is no change to report in the condition of the Lock trade.

In foreign Hardware there is a fair trade doing for seasonal goods. Pocket Cutlery and Scissors are in good demand. Brades Trowels are quoted at discount 5 per cent. Wilkinson's Sheep Shears, discount 15 per cent., with light stocks of 5 1/2 and 6 in., and fair supply of 4 1/2 and 5 in. The following are the gold prices, net, of Butterley's Grass Hooks: No. 2, \$4.25;

No. 3, \$4.75; No. 4, \$5.25; No. 5, \$5.75 per dozen. The market for Coll Chains, Traces and Anvils is strong at our quotations.

melted copper wire of about No. 12 gauge in a second or two, and a larger flame with a proportionate air blast gave an incredible heat—in fact it was computed by the inventor and a steel manufacturer, who witnessed the experiment, that two or three such flames would heat a tubular boiler (and keep up steam all day) at a cost of some seven or eight shillings, whereas in the present state of things the coal required for that purpose costs £3 odd. I may state that coal is not required in the manufacture of this gas, neither is coke, and, further, its total cost, under any circumstances, will not exceed 7d. per 1000 feet. The apparatus is so compact that the inventor, who is a shrewd, but rough practical man, took it under his arm the other evening, and from it illuminated an omnibus a journey which took one hour and a half to perform. Its constituent parts are as yet necessarily secret, seeing that it is only now being patented, but I may state that it is an ingenious carbonization of atmospheric air by a chemical process, and that its cheapness of production is owing to this fact. The inventor assures me he requires no coal for its manufacture, in which case, if the future trials be satisfactory, the invention is likely to prove of the greatest possible value, not only in trade, but to people generally.

It is stated that an association is projected under the title of the Mississippi Valley Society, and with a merely nominal capital, having for its main objects the removal of all obstructions to the direct interchange of produce between Europe and the Great Western and Southern States of North America. It also proposes to facilitate the introduction of foreign capital into these States for the purpose of developing their resources and increasing their commerce. The association is said to consist of the leading business men of the Mississippi Valley, and such traders, capitalists, and others in England, Germany, &c., as are interested in the vast area drained by the Father of Waters. Various commercial details are given of the intentions of the association, and it is understood that offices have been opened in St. Louis and London. Two special aversions of the association are the excessive charges on shipping at New Orleans, and the difficulties attendant upon the carriage of goods in bond into the interior of the United States. You will, doubtless, have some information on this subject. Some time ago I mentioned that the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce had memorialized the treasury commissioners, praying that the act of parliament might be strictly enforced which prohibits the import of any goods of foreign manufacture bearing any name, brand or mark, which states or implies that such goods were manufactured at any place within the United Kingdom. It only remains for me to state that this is now being strictly carried out. Since my last communication the iron trade proper has stiffened to a most astonishing extent. In Staffordshire and at Wolverhampton, prices have gone up very considerably. Sheets are now in immense demand, and at Birmingham are quoted fully £30. Marked bars are £14. 10/ to £14. 12/6. B. B. bars are £15, and both hoops and rods, 30/ per ton dealer. Strips firm at £14. 10/ to £15; rivet iron same; nail rods, £14 to £15; all rods, £15. 10/; charcoal slit horse, £22 to £24; horse shoe, £14. 10/ to £15; rails, £12. 10/ to £13. 10/; plates, £18 to £19; hoops, 15 to 19, W. G., £15 to £16. 10/; galvanized sheets, 20 G (for working up) best, £24. 10/; best best, £27 to £28; B. B., £30 to £32, according to quality. Angles are proportionately dearer. Cut nails have gone up 30, and Wednesbury tubes 10 per cent. At Birmingham the tube makers are busy on German, Russian, and South American orders. Metal rollers are well employed, and general hardware is in much request. Russian orders are to hand for implements, tools, and similar goods, as also from North Europe. The Birmingham metal market has revived during the week, and the same is the case in London. Chili advices advising charters for the last fourteen days of January are 700 tons in bars and ingots; 700 in ores and regulus, and 500 for the United States. Chili bars (A brand) are now £24; good ordinary, £25. 15/; Burma, £29, and Wallaroo, £29. 10/; cash. Tin is steady, Straits being worth £143; Billiton, £140; Banca, £143. 10/ and English, £146. Spelter is likely to be dearer, Silesian now realizing £26; Rheinisch, £25. 10/ to £26, in London and outports. Lead remains firm at late rates. At Sheffield the general steel trade remains very busy, and I hear it whispered that prices are being put up some 9 or 10 per cent. All the principal houses are full handed, and some are putting down extra melting holes and rolling mills. Rails are here, as, indeed, throughout the whole iron trade, the backbone of business, bringing with them, as they do, a host of other minor orders for chains, fishplates, bolts, crossings and the like. Swedish irons are again dearer, prices being £19. 5/ to £20 f. o. b. Gothenburg, for steel-iron bars. The supply is small, so that few manufacturers and others who have a fondness for these brands will of necessity have to recoup themselves for the increased cost of the raw materials. A heavy order for rifle barrels is being worked out here for a continental government, through a Birmingham house. This order will take years to get through. The foundries and heavy iron works are well employed, as also are the saw, file, and edge tool trades. Yorkshire pig is now worth £6. 5/ to £6. 10/ at the forge, and is in scanty supply. Low Moor and Bowling brands of finished iron are going up stiffly, and all other kinds of merchant iron are fully £1 dearer. In the Cleveland district every branch of trade is busy, with the following current prices: Common bars, £13. 10/ (with 10/ extra for 7-16, 20 for 3/4, and 40 for 3/4); plates, £14 to £15; T. angle and bulb iron, £14 to £15; rails, £13 to £14; fish bolts, £20 to £25; spikes, £18 to £20; rivets, £19 to £22, and washers, £26 to £28. Shipbuilders are excessively busy. Pig iron is a trifle dearer, but not as yet materially so. The West Yorkshire and Lancashire machinery and engineering works are remarkably busy on every mentionable kind of machinery. In West Cumberland, Barrow-in-Furness, and neighboring places, the hematite ores are being greatly developed. Prices now range from £1 to £1. 4/ per ton for good ores. The Barrow iron shipbuilding trade is also undergoing a steady extension. The Glasgow market has fluctuated a good deal, but in the main has gone up, and now stands at figures hitherto unknown—144 1/2. Taking into consideration the fact that stocks in Connal's stores are only 87,000 tons, which represent all the warrants afloat, it would appear probable that there will at present be no decline. A growing demand for pig for American and South Germany is also just setting in. Makers' prices are: Gatherrrie No. 1, £8. 10/; No. 2, £7. 5/; Coltness, same; Summerlee No. 1, £8; No. 2, £7. 4/; Langloan No. 1, £8. 10/; No. 2, £7. 5/; Calder, £8. 5/; No. 4, £7. 5/; Shotts (Bessemer) No. 1, £8. 5/; No. 2, £8. 5/; Shotts (ordinary) No. 1, £8. 5/; No. 2, £7. 5/; Carnbroe No. 1, £7. 15/; No. 2, £7. 5/; Wishaw No. 1, £7. 6/; and No. 2, £7. 4/; No. 4, £6. 10/; Monkland and Chapel Hill No. 1, £7. 7/6; No. 2, £7. 5/; Clyde No. 1, £7. 7/6; No. 2, £7. 5/6; Glengarnock No. 1, £7. 15/; No. 2, £7. 5/; Eglinton No. 1, £7. 5/; No. 2, £7. 2/6; No. 4, £7. 4/; Dalmellington No. 1, £7. 5/; No. 2, £7. 2/6; Kinnell No. 1, £7. 10/; No. 2, £7. 4/; £6. 10/; Carron, nil; Almon No. 1, £7. 7/6, and No. 2, £7. 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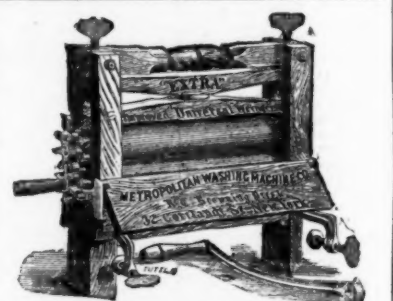
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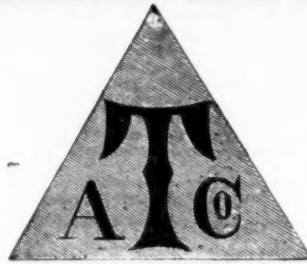
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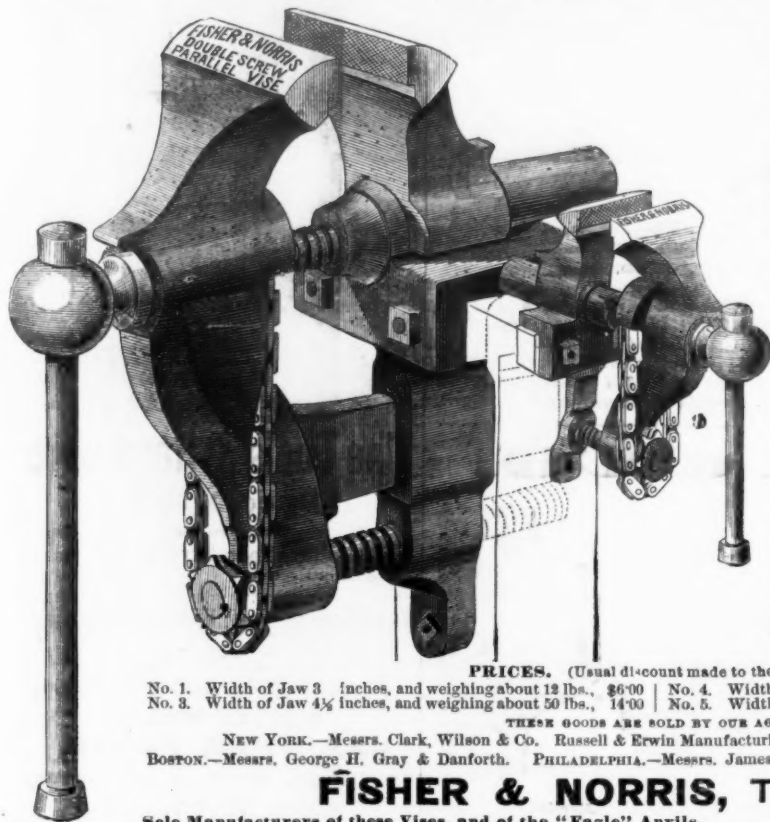
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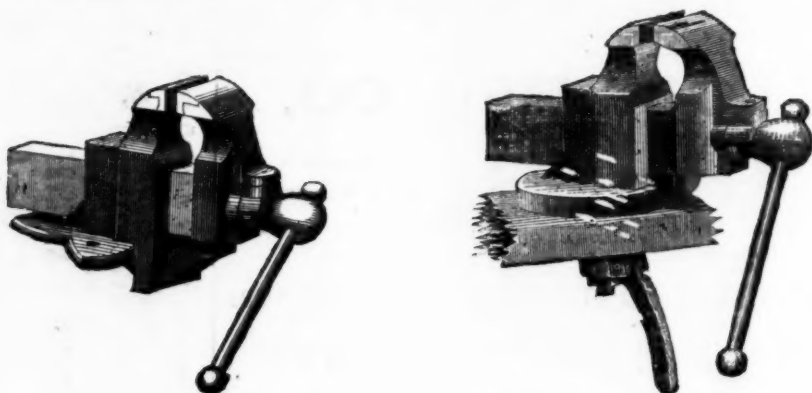
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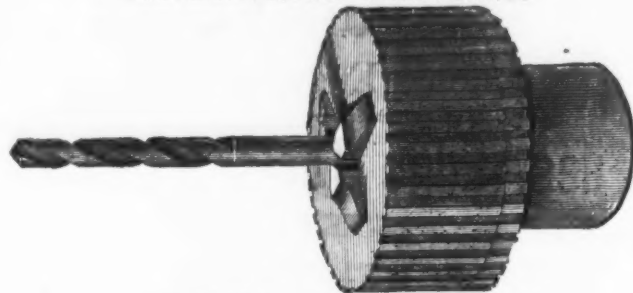
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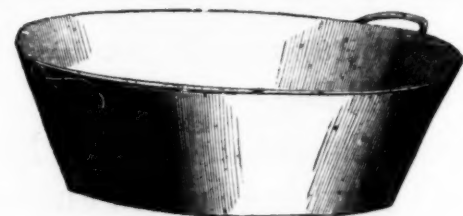
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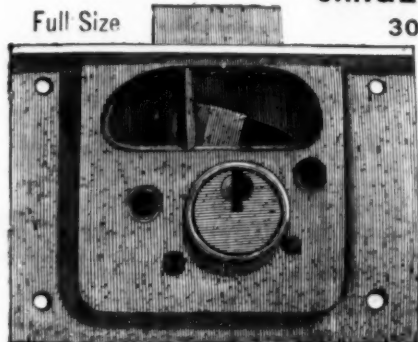
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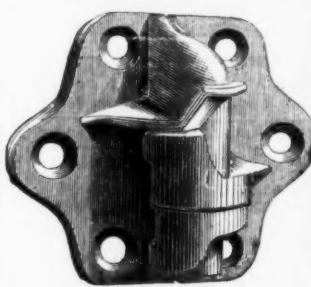
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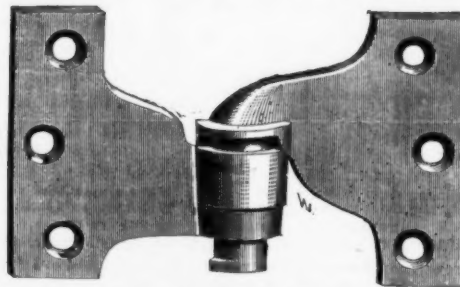
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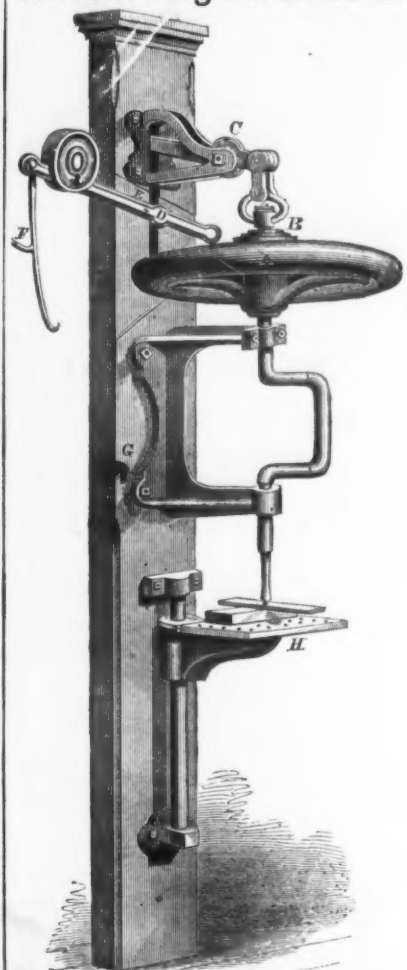
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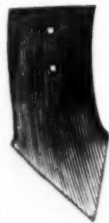
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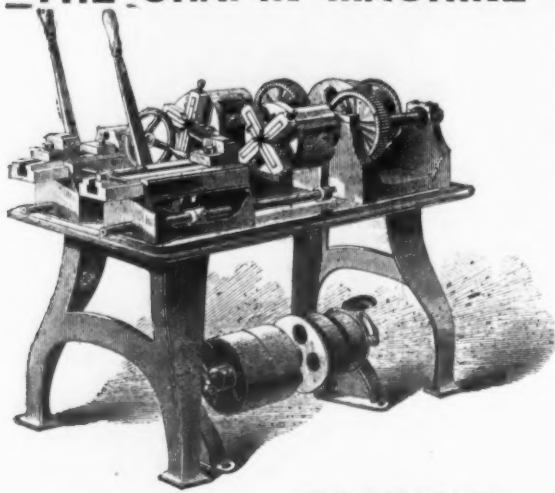
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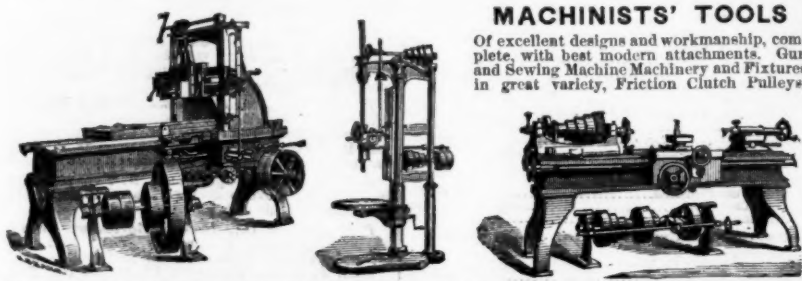
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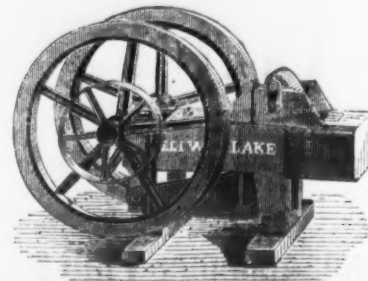
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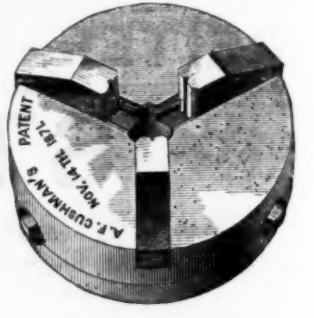
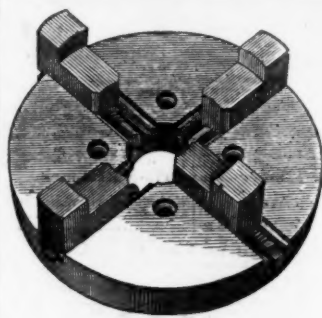
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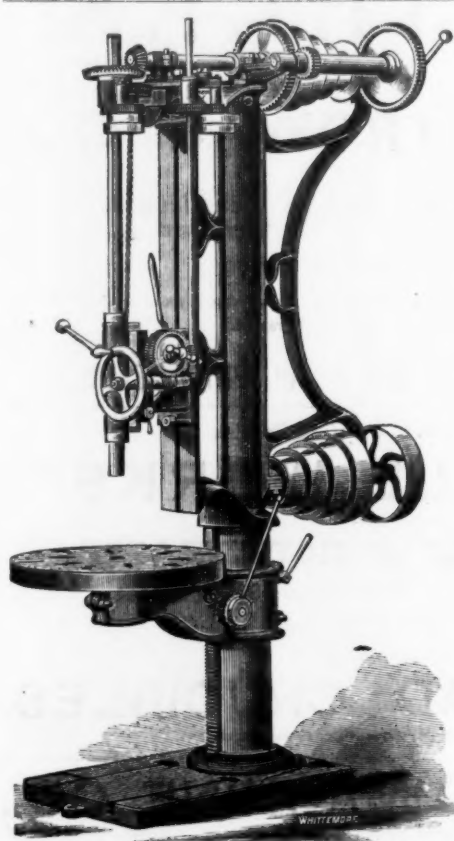
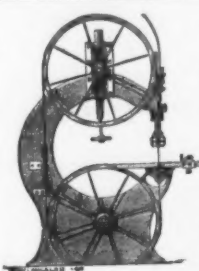
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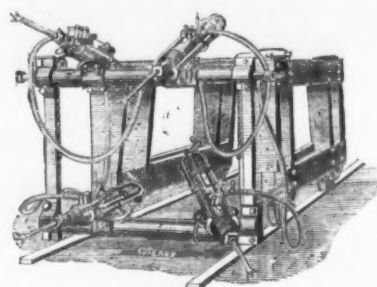
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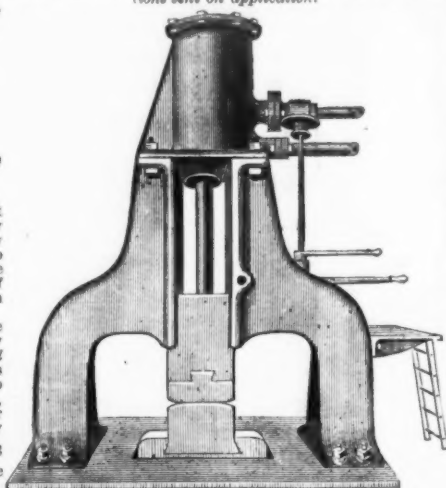
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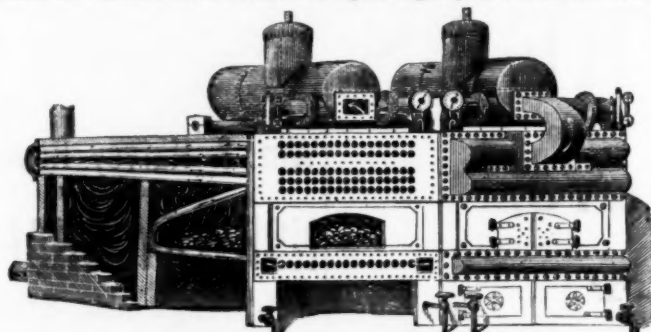
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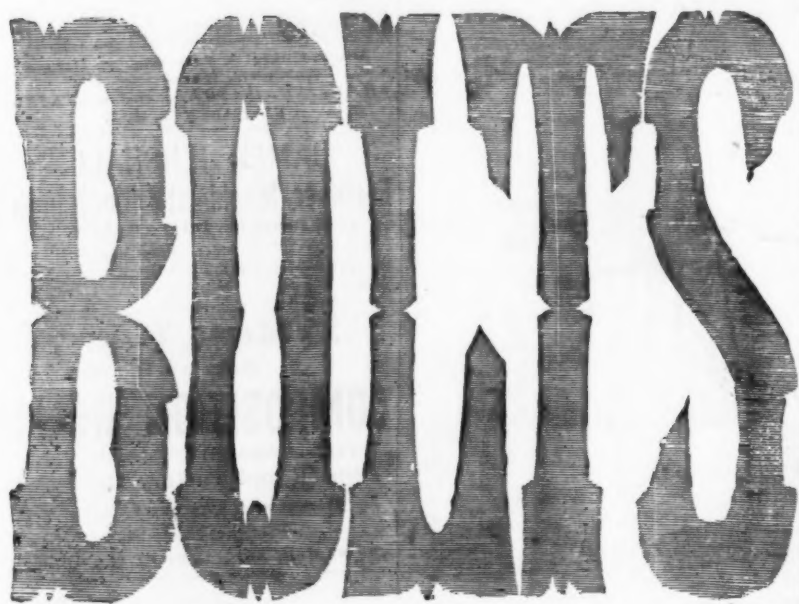
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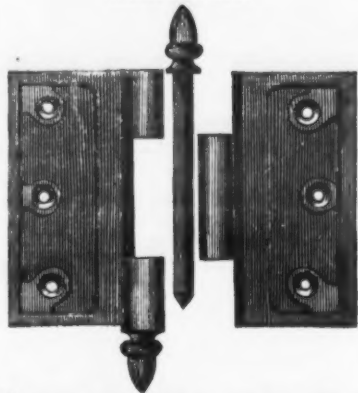
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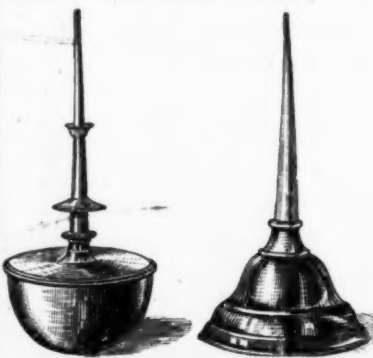
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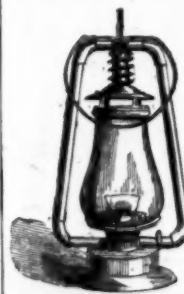
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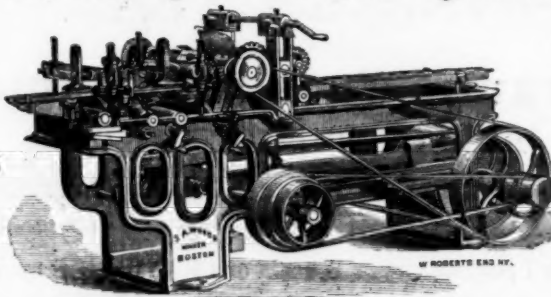
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